

Guidelines

Robert Blackwood Partnership – Honours Scholarship Scheme

The Robert Blackwood partnership is a collaboration between Monash University and Museums Victoria to encourage and facilitate new research project ideas and initiatives that lead to high impact collaborations and significant external funding. As part of the Partnership, eligible honours students can apply for a scholarship to cover costs related to the project.

Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Between \$500 and \$1,500 for a full-time study load for a maximum of one year.
Number offered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to two (2) scholarships may be offered each year – one in the Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS) disciplines and one in the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) disciplines - subject to suitable applicants.
Selection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Based on academic achievement and offered to students who are undertaking an Honours research project based on Museums Victoria's collection or in association with a Museums Victoria researcher.
Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commencing or continuing full-time undergraduate students who are enrolled in an Honours course and will work on a project which is either co-supervised by Monash and Museums Victoria, or are substantially focused on some aspects of Museums Victoria's collection. Commencing or continuing full-time Honours students (enrolled or commencing in the year of application) at a Monash campus in Australia.

Application information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applicants are required to complete the application form available from www.monash.edu/graduate-research/future-students/scholarships.• Applications should be no more than 2 A4 pages in length (12 point font) detailing the project, its relevance to Museums Victoria's research activities and collections, intended outcomes and budget requested. The budget should clearly identify the costs as they relate to the project. Funding will not be provided for salaries, parking, thesis binding or other costs that aren't directly relevant to the proposed research project. A plain English summary of the proposed research area and intended outcomes of the project.• A written recommendation (maximum 1 A4 page) from the Honours supervisor regarding the quality of the project.• Applicants are required to discuss their project with a relevant Museums Victoria curator prior to applying for the scholarship. Should no pre-existing relationship with a Museums Victoria Curator exist, applicants are required to contact Mr Timothy Stranks, Manager – Research Programs, Research and Collections Directorate, Museums Victoria, by email (tstranks@museum.vic.gov.au). Applicants are also required to provide a letter of support from Museums Victoria.• All scholarship queries should be directed to: Scholarships, Monash Graduate Research Office, mgro-scholarships@monash.edu, Ph: (03) 9905 3416.• Scholarship selection will be undertaken by a joint Monash-Museums Victoria selection committee. <p>Full details on Museums Victoria's collection can be found at: http://museumsvictoria.com.au/collections-research/</p>
Conditions of the Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• You cannot defer the scholarship and you must maintain full-time enrolment in your Honours course.• Applicants must be willing to participate in activities showcasing the Robert Blackwood Partnership e.g. research seminars, promotional events.• A brief final report outlining the research outcomes, must be submitted to Scholarships, Monash Graduate Research Office, mgro-scholarships@monash.edu by 1 December.
Closing date	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1 March each year• Applications to be submitted via email to: Scholarships, Monash Graduate Research Office, mailto:mgro-scholarships@monash.edu <p>Late applications will not be accepted</p>