

Melbourne Scholarships Office

Overseas Research Experience Scholarships (ORES) Application

Application closing date: 5.15pm, 31st March and 31st August

Please refer to the Guidelines for full eligibility requirements, submission details and other important information: <http://cms.services.unimelb.edu.au/scholarships/pgrad/available/travelling/pores>

1. Student details

Title: _____ Family Name: _____ Given Names: _____

Address: _____

Suburb: _____ Postcode: _____

Phone Number: _____ Student Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Preferred method of communication regarding the outcome of your application (please circle): Post Email

Are you a confirmed PhD, or other research higher degree doctorate, candidate? Yes No
[If No and you won't be confirmed by the closing date, please apply in a future round.]

Name of department: _____

Name of principal supervisor: _____

Thesis title (or research topic): _____

Month and year PhD commenced: _____ Expected completion date: _____

How many months of candidature (FTE) will you have completed at your time of travel? _____

3. Details of visit

Date from: _____ Date to: _____

Full name of institution/university: _____

Location of institution/university: _____

Name of nominated external supervisor: _____

Please indicate if your intended travel is to a U21 University (see <http://www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/u21/index.html> for full list of institutions) (please circle):
Yes No

Please indicate if you intend to undertake fieldwork in Asia and therefore qualify for consideration for the Riady Scholarship (check the website for further details - <http://cms.services.unimelb.edu.au/scholarships/pgrad/local/available/travelling/mats#riady>) (please circle):
Yes No

4. Details of Funds

Level of contribution from department: _____

Level of contribution from faculty: _____

Level of contribution from other sources: _____

Please list any scholarships or studentships you receive (eg. MRS, APA, IPRS): _____

5. Recognition of in-kind contributions

Please give details of any in-kind contributions (eg. waiver of bench fees): _____

6. Attachments

Attachment A: a detailed explanation of your trip (maximum 3 pages) that addresses all of the following points:

- collaboration details:
 - i. the name of the collaborating university, research organisation, network or academic,
 - ii. the collaborator, including the individual who will act as the overseas supervisor. A letter indicating availability and acceptance of supervision should be attached,
 - iii. whether the University of Melbourne has a formal exchange agreement with the overseas institution,
 - iv. the dates of the proposed period of study overseas, and
 - v. the nature of the collaboration, including when the collaboration commenced, a brief summary of the collaboration conducted to date between the partners, how the visit will contribute to the development of the collaboration, and the future plans to extend the collaboration. If the collaboration is being initiated, evidence of the department's input and administrative efforts required to set up the collaboration must be provided.
- outline of the research project including a statement that explains what you plan to achieve whilst overseas and how your proposed travel will add value to your thesis but is not essential to the completion of it,

Attachment B: a statement of expected benefit. This should be no longer than half a page in length and should describe how the experience will benefit the University and the student.

Attachment C: a statement of support from the supervisor(s), head of department or postgraduate coordinator that:

- supports the explanation of what you plan to achieve whilst overseas and explains how the travel is relevant and academically justifiable but not essential to your thesis,
- illustrates the expected benefit of the travel to yourself and the University*,
- confirms that your budget cost are justified/reasonable, and
- details the funds that your department will contribute to your trip (if another source is providing the required additional funds, this statement should be provided by them) and for which of the budget expenses this money will be used.

*If the intended travel will occur between 36 and 42 months (full time equivalent) of candidature this section of the department statement must clearly explain how the travel will add value to the student's thesis.

Attachment D: a completed budget proforma with specific and detailed expenses and funding information. Attach quotes for the cheapest airfare and additional travel insurance if required and evidence of any in-kind contributions.

Attachment E: a copy of the student's CV and academic transcript.

6. Applicant's declaration

I hereby declare that all of the information I have provided in this application is true and complete. I understand that there are severe penalties for providing false or misleading information. I have read the guidelines and attached all the required documents. I also understand that:

- decisions will be based on the criteria listed in the guidelines and all eligibility requirements must be met
- if the PGSC deem my travel plans to be essential to the completion of my thesis, my application will be ineligible,
- given that the funds are limited and the selection for this scholarship is very competitive, submission of an application does not guarantee the award of a scholarship
- incomplete and/or late applications will not be considered.

Student's signature: _____ Date: _____

Supervisor's signature: _____ Date: _____

Please submit your application and the required documents to the Graduate Research Scholarships Team in the Melbourne Scholarships Office, University of Melbourne, Level 3, John Smyth Building (Building 197), Swanston Street, VIC, 3010.

Applicants are advised to keep a copy of their application for their own reference. Copies cannot be made once submitted.