



## Holsworth Wildlife Research Endowment

### Guidelines

The Holsworth Wildlife Research Endowment\* invites applications for post-graduate student research support in ecology, wildlife management and natural history studies. Preference will be given to students at an early stage of a Masters or Doctoral program. Honours projects will normally not be supported. Eligibility is limited to Universities in the **States of Victoria, Tasmania, South Australia, Northern Territory, Western Australia, and Charles Sturt University (Albury-Wodonga)**.

Grants of **up to \$7,500** will be awarded for the purchase of equipment, supplies, travel to study areas and conferences. We would prefer that all the funds requested for the student's research be allocated for the work of the student and not for the general administration of the School or Department. We consider that the Government should be providing funds for that purpose.

These grants will be renewable for a period of 2 to 3 years provided that the student maintains satisfactory progress. Grants are not available to individuals but are made only to organisations to which gifts are deductible under Section 30-15 of the Federal Income Tax Assessment Act. The Endowment offers two (2) funding rounds per annum, **1 April** and **1 August**, however students are only eligible to receive one grant per year. Students who applied for a grant and were unsuccessful can re-apply at the next funding round.

Applications in three general areas are especially encouraged:

- **Wildlife management** relating to sport hunting, harvesting, pest control, management of non-game animals, and effect of land management on native species;
- **Conservation biology and biodiversity** studies relating to the management of protected areas and rare or threatened species in Australia;
- Field work on Australian **native plants and animals** to gain understanding of ecological interactions, population dynamics, animal behaviour, and species distribution.

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#### **Applications are due by 5pm on 1 April and 1 August each year**

All applications, including any attachments, must be submitted via email by the due date to: [trustapp@anz.com](mailto:trustapp@anz.com)

Late applications cannot be accepted.

Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application by mid-June and mid-November.

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## 1. Application Guidelines for NEW applicants

Follow these instructions carefully if you have not previously received a grant. The Endowment offers two (2) funding rounds per annum, however students are eligible to receive only one grant per year. Students who applied for a grant and were unsuccessful can re-apply at the next funding round.

### Administration Requirements

Complete an **Executive Summary** which should be a one-page statement on University Letterhead describing the project, its duration, and the budget for the year. It must state the student's enrolment classification and be signed by the **Student**, their **Supervisor** and the **Head of Department** or the **University Research Grants coordinator's office**.

This signed document must then be scanned and emailed directly to [trustapp@anz.com](mailto:trustapp@anz.com) or attached with the application.

### Grant Application requirements

The detailed **Grant Application** should include the following:

- Details of the projected total budget, including any administrative and technical support provided by the University and other organisations;
- Details of the budget for the funding sought from the Holsworth Wildlife Research Endowment - ANZ Trustees Foundation;
- If continuing grants are anticipated for a second or third year please provide an estimate of these requirements;
- Title of the proposed project and a detailed description (4 pages is usually sufficient) of the project with references to relevant research;
- Most Universities set a 3 year limit on M.Sc. and PhD student registration but some exceptions apply, especially for part-time students. For funding purposes the **maximum grant for a project will be \$22,500** and it will normally be made in 3 payments;
- Travel to appropriate scientific conferences is encouraged but the budget item should not exceed \$500 in each of the first 2 years of the project. In the final year, the student may budget up to \$2,000 to attend an international conference. The total conference travel budget for the project is limited to \$3,000;
- Starting and completion dates should be provided together with an approximate schedule of the field work;
- Include the name and position of academic supervisor(s), telephone and e-mail addresses;



- Names, addresses, phone and email of two referees who can comment on the scientific or management merit of the proposal;
- A copy of the student's university academic record; and
- An optional one page resume of your employment, volunteer activities, recreation activities or hobbies that relate to your interests in scientific research or environmental concerns.

### **General Conditions**

Acceptance of funding from the **Holsworth Wildlife Research Endowment - ANZ Trustees Foundation** - will imply that research involving animal experimentation will be carried out in accordance with the guidelines of the Australian Code of Practice for the Care and Use of Animals for Scientific Purposes. It must also pass the recognised Animal Ethics Committee of their institution. Permission from the appropriate land custodians must also be obtained.

Acceptance of grant funds will also imply that permits will be obtained from the relevant government authorities if the research requires permission to work in National Parks or other protected areas, or to collect plant and animal specimens

The student should be encouraged to attend and present papers or posters at scientific conferences. The budget for the project may include travel to conferences. Acknowledgment of support from the **Holsworth Wildlife Research Endowment – ANZ Trustees Foundation** is expected in presentations and publications

A progress report must be submitted each calendar year even if additional funds are not required.

A final report in the form of published papers or a copy of the thesis (hard copy or CD) would be appreciated.



## 2. Application Guidelines for CONTINUING grant applicants

Follow these instructions carefully if you have received a grant in previous years. The Endowment offers two (2) funding rounds per annum; however students are only eligible to receive one continuing grant per calendar year. Students who applied for a continuing grant and were unsuccessful can re-apply at the next funding round.

### Administration Requirements

Complete an **Executive Summary** which should be a one-page statement on University Letterhead describing the project, its duration, and the budget for the year. It must state the student's enrolment classification and be **signed** by the **Student**, their **Supervisor** (The academic supervisor must also comment on the progress made in the previous year by the student before requests for continued funding for a second or third year will be considered) and the **Head of Department** or the **University Research Grants coordinator's office**.

This signed document must then be scanned and emailed directly to [trustapp@anz.com](mailto:trustapp@anz.com) or attached with the application.

### Grant Application requirements

The detailed **Grant Application** should include the following:

- A progress report should be submitted each year even if additional funds are not required. A detailed project description should not be necessary unless a major change has been made in the objectives, methods, or duration of the project. Changes in the objectives of the research, funding arrangements, or planned completion date must be reported;
- A report on the expenditure of the grant funding is expected. A detailed budget for the year must be included; and
- A final report in the form of published papers or a copy of the thesis (hard copy or CD) would be appreciated.