

The University of Western Australia
Centenary Trust for Women Dr Margaret Feilman Postgraduate Scholarship
[F 23893] Conditions

These conditions are subject to final drafting by University committees

This scholarship is established in support of the objectives of the UWA Centenary Trust for Women. Dr Margaret Anne Feilman OBE is a graduate of The University of Western Australia (the University) who went on to develop a distinguished career as a town planner and architect. In 1976 she established the Feilman Foundation which has focussed on providing grants for charitable purposes in Australia's interests in the field of environment, children/youth, cultural, education, general community benefit and medical scientific research. Dr Feilman has donated funds for a supplementary scholarship to be held in conjunction with an Australian Postgraduate Award (APA), a University Postgraduate Award (UPA) or equivalent postgraduate research scholarship.

The scholarship is administered in accordance with the conditions of Australian and University Postgraduate Awards or the [Regulations governing Ad-Hoc Scholarships](#) at The University of Western Australia except as set out in the conditions that follow

Title

1. The scholarship is called the Centenary Trust for Women Dr Margaret Feilman Postgraduate Scholarship.

Purpose

2. The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage and assist a female graduate to undertake PhD research on 'The Natural Environment of Western Australia' in the Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences at The University of Western Australia (the University). The PhD research will be related to one or more fields of botany, zoology, surface hydrology, physical geography or soils as they relate to the land mass of Western Australia.

Value

3. The annual value of the scholarship is \$14,000.

Eligibility Requirements

4. (1) To be eligible to apply for the scholarship an applicant must -

- (a) be a citizen or permanent resident of Australia;
- (b) be female;
- (c) be a graduate of a recognised University;
- (d) be eligible to enrol or be enrolled in a PhD degree; and
- (e) intend to undertake full-time PhD research at the University within the Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences on the subject of 'The Natural Environment of Western Australia'. The PhD research will be related to one or more fields of botany, zoology, surface hydrology, physical geography or soils as they relate to the land mass of Western Australia; and
- (f) be able to demonstrate financial hardship and that their ability to undertake the PhD course is limited because of financial hardship.

(2) Applicants must submit with their application a statement explaining their financial circumstances, their need for financial support and the manner in which their economic circumstances would restrict their ability to complete the PhD degree in a timely manner.

(3)(a) To be eligible to take up the scholarship the student must be enrolled in a PhD and pursue research at the University within the Faculty of Natural and Agricultural Sciences on the subject of 'The Natural Environment of Western Australia'.

(b) Students must enrol on a full-time basis unless there are exceptional circumstances that prevent full-time study.

Body responsible for Selection

5. The scholarship is awarded by the Scholarships Committee.

Selection Criteria

6.(1) The scholarship is awarded to an eligible applicant who has been ranked at the most appropriate level by the Scholarships Committee and who, in its opinion, best demonstrates through their application and supporting documentation -

- (a) academic excellence as evidenced by their academic records;
- (b) evidence of strong research capability; and
- (c) interest in PhD research into the 'The Natural Environment of Western Australia' in one or more fields of botany, zoology, surface hydrology, physical geography or soils as they relate to the land mass of Western Australia.
- (d) financial need as evidenced by the statement of their financial circumstances.

Awarding Body

7. The scholarship is awarded by the Scholarships Committee in conjunction with the main round of Australian/University Postgraduate Awards.

Duration of Award

8. (1) Subject to 11, the period of tenure is up to three years full-time or equivalent part-time.
- (2) The University may approve an extension of up to six months where the award holder formally applies for an extension and the University is satisfied that the grounds for extension are related to their research and beyond the control of the award holder.
- (3) Periods of study undertaken towards the degree prior to commencement of the award or undertaken during suspension of the award are deducted from the maximum period of tenure.

Method of Payment

9.. The scholarship is paid in fortnightly instalments.

Criteria for Continuation of Scholarship

10. Continuation of the scholarship from year to year is subject to the recipient—
- (a) maintaining continuous enrolment at the University as a full-time student, unless otherwise recommended by the Scholarships Committee and approved by the Board of the Graduate Research School; and
 - (b) submitting, through their supervisor and the Head of the School, a satisfactory Annual Progress Report to the Board of the Graduate Research School.

Concurrent Awards

11. The scholarship may be held concurrently with other scholarships, providing that the conditions of the other scholarship so permit.

Application Procedure

12. (1) Applicants must submit an online application in the main round of applications for Australian/University Postgraduate Awards by the advertised closing date.
- (2) Applicants must attach a statement explaining their economic circumstances, their need for financial support and the manner in which their economic circumstances would restrict their ability to complete the PhD degree in a timely manner.

Administering Body

13. The scholarship is administered by the Scholarships Office.

Publications

14. Any thesis, dissertation or other publication resulting from research undertaken by the recipient while in receipt of the Centenary Trust for Women Dr Margaret Feilman Postgraduate Scholarship must acknowledge the support of the scholarship and carry the University by-line.

Intellectual Property

15. Intellectual property is governed by the University's Intellectual Property policy available on the University's website <http://www.universypolicies.uwa.edu.au/page/117132>