

GRADUATE WOMEN - SOUTH AUSTRALIA TRUST INC. FUND

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2024 POSTGRADUATE DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIPS GRADUATE WOMEN SA TRUST DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIP \$18,000 (3 x \$6,000 each)

For women who are Australian citizens or permanent residents, enrolled in a postgraduate doctoral level degree (PhD or professional doctorate) at a South Australian university.

Other eligibility criteria

Applicants must:

- be studying for a postgraduate award which is classified at doctoral level. This includes PhD study by research and professional doctorates (research &/or coursework); and
- have completed at least 18 months of PhD or professional doctorate study; and
- not be in full time paid employment or on fully paid leave during the tenure of the Scholarship; and
- not have received a scholarship or award (previously name the AFUW-SA Inc Trust Centenary Scholarship) in the same category in 2023; and
- be an Australian citizen or permanent resident.

There is no restriction on field of study. The scholarship may be held concurrently with awards offered by organisations other than the AFUW-SA Inc. Trust Fund.

How a Scholarship may be used This scholarship is not intended to fund basic research costs that should be met by your University, unless unforeseen costs are incurred. (Please explain if this is the case). The scholarship is intended to help students in a critical phase leading to completion of their studies. The Scholarship must be used within twelve months of the date of the award (June 2024), i.e. by the end of June 2025.

Selection criteria Selection of winners is based on financial need, the likely impact of the scholarship on progress, referees' comments, the purpose for which the scholarship will be used, and the applicant's academic profile and contribution to the academic and wider community.

Value The amount of each scholarship will not exceed \$6,000 but may be less depending on requirements of the successful applicant/s and if more than one scholarship is offered based on applicant rankings and funds available. No one will be awarded more than one scholarship in any one year. In exceptional circumstances the trustees of the Graduate Women SA Trust Inc. reserve the right not to award a scholarship.

Source of funds Until 2009 funds for these scholarships were raised annually by the Academic Hoods and Gowns Hiring Service run on a voluntary basis by the then trustees, members of AFUW-SA Inc. (later GWSA Inc.) and friends. Funds are now sourced from income earned on that legacy of capital and subsequent investments, bequests and donations.

Closing date for applications 31st March 2024.

Intellectual property The Trustees recognise that postgraduate students retain ownership of intellectual property arising from any research undertaken during their course of study.

Receipt of all applications will be acknowledged. In the normal course of events, the successful applicants will be notified by the last day of June in the year of the award. Subsequently, a list of winners will be loaded to the Trust Fund Web site. The decision of the selection committee will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.

INFORMATION ON APPLICATION SUBMISSION

LODGEMENT OF APPLICATIONS

Your application must be emailed (including attachments) to: bursaries@afuwsa-trust.com.au

By close of business 31st March 2024.

Applications received after the due date will not be considered.

Applications remain the property of the trustees of the Graduate Women SA Trust Inc Fund.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all necessary documentation, including references, are received prior to the closing dates.

The only exception to this is official documentation not available by the closing date, such as evidence of enrolment at an institution. Please list such items in a covering letter accompanying your application and forward no later than three weeks after the closing date for applications.

Use the checklist on the following page to ensure your application is complete.

The Trust Fund Trustees and scholarship selection committee members are all volunteers. Assistance for applicants will be made available where possible by responding to written requests for advice sent to: bursaries@afuwsa-trust.com.au . This will not include details concerning receipt of necessary documentation or status of applications. Winners will be notified by email and results posted on the Trust website after 30th June. If you have queries please allow sufficient time for a reply, or consult the FAQ page on our web site at www.afuwsa-trust.com.au

REMOVE THESE FRONT TWO PAGES WHEN SENDING YOUR APPLICATION

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APPLICATION FORM

The following checklist identifies the documents that *must* accompany the completed application form. You will need to tick off and sign the checklist as part of the application.

NOTE: When you email your application ensure you include all attachments below to accompany your application. Use the subject line: APPLICATION – GRADUATE WOMEN SA TRUST DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIP 2024:

	ITEM	Cross (X) when attached
1.	Application completed in minimum font 11 or hand written and all required documents.	
2.	Evidence of current enrolment	
3.	Certified copies of official transcripts of academic record covering all postgraduate work completed to date. An interpretation of grades on academic records as supplied by the awarding institution is also required. If records are in a language other than English, a certified translation must be provided.	
4.	Curriculum Vitae (CV) including employment record, education and training history, prizes or awards, tertiary studies, published works, conference presentations – limit to 3 pages ONLY	
5.	If not an Australian citizen, proof of Australian permanent residency status.	
6.	TWO referees' reports. You must ensure that referee reports from two academic staff familiar with your current postgraduate studies are emailed <u>by them</u> to the address on this form to arrive no later than 14th April 2024 .	To be emailed separately

NOTE: Ensure that you have answered all questions fully. The Scholarships Trustees will acknowledge receipt of your application but incomplete applications will not be considered when determining the scholarship winners.

Applicant's signature: _____ **Date:** _____

1 PERSONAL DETAILS

Title: _____ Surname: _____

First names (underline preferred name): _____

Full Address for correspondence: _____

Email address: _____

Date of birth: _____ (day) _____ (month) _____ (year)

Current qualifications held: _____

Country of citizenship: _____

NOTE: If you are not an Australian citizen, you will need to provide proof that you are a permanent resident of Australia.

2 CURRENT ENROLMENT

Full title of postgraduate degree for which scholarship is needed (include discipline):

Institution at which degree will be obtained: _____

Degree is being undertaken: Full time / Part time (circle or underline applicable response)

Dates of enrolment: Commencement _____

Expected completion _____

Period for which scholarship is required _____

Draft Thesis title

Abstract describing your research project in plain English – maximum 100 words.

3 PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE SCHOLARSHIP IS REQUESTED

i) What is the main purpose(s) for which the scholarship is required?

Cross (x) ALL that apply and include costs for each item in v) below.

- Short-term assistance with living expenses incurred because of special circumstances impacting on study
- Costs incurred because of study commitments
- Conference/ seminar presentation/attendance
- Purchase or hire of equipment and/or software
- Other, specify _____

ii) Provide more information about the purpose for which the scholarship is requested.

iii) When will you use the scholarship?

iv) Include any relevant details about your financial situation or special circumstances that impact your study, including sources of income.

Do you personally receive any of the following? Tick all that apply.

University sponsored stipend (specify amount) _____ Other scholarship/s (specify amount) _____

Wage (part-time or casual work) (specify amount) _____ Health Care Card _____

Government pension or allowance (please specify type/s) _____

Other (specify, e.g. child support) _____ Support from family or partner _____

Estimate your anticipated expenses from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025.

Total _____ \$

v) Detailed estimates of cost related to the purpose for the scholarship

NOTE: Evidence of costs **MUST** be provided

Detailed estimates of costs

Item	Estimated cost	Evidence
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____
	Total \$ _____	

If you are asking for funding to extend the duration of your postgraduate studies, explain the reason for the extension and availability of funding from your department or university for completion grants.

4 OTHER AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

i) Other than stipends, which should be included in iv) above, list the value of any grants, awards or scholarships you know you will receive between 1 July 2024 and 30 June 2025 to assist with the expenses listed above.

Name of award, funding body, date

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
Total	\$ _____

ii) Specify any other grants, scholarships or awards for which you intend to apply, in order to cover your study expenses.

Name of award	Funding body	Deadline date	Value	Notification date
_____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____	_____	\$ _____	_____

If the value is not known provide an estimate.

Advise the Scholarships Trustees by email if your application for any of these awards is successful between now and mid-May 2024.

5. CONTRIBUTION TO COMMUNITY AND/OR ACADEMIC LIFE

Describe your achievements both in the wider community and within the University community, including any contribution you have made to university life or the discipline.

6. REFEREES

Provide the name, position, institution/faculty and email address of TWO academic staff members who are familiar with your academic studies and have agreed to act as referees. One of them should be the person supervising your research project.

Give each of these referees one of the forms included with this application form and ask them to send their references directly to the Scholarships Trustee to be received no later than 14th April 2024. Stress to them that applications without referees' reports will not be considered

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT
2024 GRADUATE WOMEN SA TRUST DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIP

NAME OF APPLICANT: _____

To the SUPERVISOR – Please complete this confidential assessment of the applicant.

Your title _____ Name _____

Position _____

Email address _____

Institution and country (if not Australia) _____

1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacities (e.g. lecturer, Honours supervisor, etc.):

2. How would you rate your knowledge of the applicant as the basis for providing a reference?

Very good Good Adequate Limited/Poor

3. Estimate the number of students with whom you are comparing the applicant.

4. Indicate your overall ranking of the applicant:

Top 5% Top 10% Top 15% Top 20% Top 40% Other Unable to rate

5. Indicate your ranking of the applicant against the following criteria.

Initiative – ability to embark on new ideas or approaches without prompting

Top 5% Top 10% Top 15% Top 20% Other Unable to rate

Planning – ability to set and keep to a schedule

Top 5% Top 10% Top 15% Top 20% Other Unable to rate

Perseverance – ability to work in difficult circumstances

Top 5% Top 10% Top 15% Top 20% Other Unable to rate

Critical ability – ability to appraise and analyse information and arguments

Top 5% Top 10% Top 15% Top 20% Other Unable to rate

Knowledge of the field of study

Top 5% Top 10% Top 15% Top 20% Other Unable to rate

Contribution to university/discipline life

Top 5% Top 10% Top 15% Top 20% Other Unable to rate

Please turn over ...

6. Comment on your reasons for the rankings in question 5, and/or add any other comments you wish to make about the applicant's abilities in the space below, or attach a separate sheet if you wish.

7. Comment on the purpose for which the applicant is applying for this scholarship. In particular:
- a) how important the expenditure would be in assisting the applicant to make progress on or complete her research degree;
 - b) (if applicable) provide reasons for research extending past the expiry of a stipend; and
 - c) provide any other supporting or clarifying comments.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

After signing above and signing any attached sheet email to bursaries@afuwsa-trust.com.au
by **14th April 2024**

REFEREE'S REPORT
2024 GRADUATE WOMEN SA TRUST DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIPS

NAME OF APPLICANT: _____

To the REFEREE – Please complete this confidential assessment of the applicant.

Your title _____ Name _____ Position _____

Email address _____

Institution and country (if not Australia) _____

1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacities (e.g. lecturer, Honours supervisor, etc.):

2. How would you rate your knowledge of the applicant as the basis for providing a reference?

Very good Good Adequate Limited/Poor

3. Estimate the number of students with whom you are comparing the applicant.

4. Indicate your overall ranking of the applicant:

Top 5% Top 10% Top 15% Top 20% Top 40% Other Unable to rate

5. Indicate your ranking of the applicant against the following criteria.

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Top 5% Top 10% Top 15% Top 20% Other Unable to rate

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by **14th April 2024**