

New Zealand Family Violence Clearinghouse Research Fees Bursaries

The New Zealand Family Violence Clearinghouse Fees Bursaries were established in 2011. The main purpose of the Fees Bursaries is to assist high achieving students to enrol in a research Masters degree in the area of family violence.

Selection Process:

- Application form is filled in and emailed to the New Zealand Family Violence Clearinghouse.
- A subcommittee of the NZFVC Academic Advisory Group is formed to assess the applications.
- The Fees Bursaries are awarded by the New Zealand Family Violence Clearinghouse on the recommendation of this subcommittee of the NZFVC Academic Advisory Group.

Regulations:

- 1. The awards shall be known as the New Zealand Family Violence Clearinghouse Research Fees Bursaries.
- 2. The Bursaries will be awarded annually, each for a period of one year equivalent full-time study. They will be a contribution toward the tuition fees of a student undertaking a 120 point research masters degree or research portfolio in the area of family violence. The contribution will be to a maximum of \$5,000 (including GST).
- 3. The Bursaries will be awarded to candidates who have paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for enrolment in a 120 point thesis or research portfolio Masters Degree in a topic related to family violence. Payments to students enrolled part-time will be pro-rated (e.g. payments totalling a maximum of \$5,000 (including GST) can be made over two years, \$2,500 in each year).
- 4. The Masters degree must be commenced in the year immediately following the award of the Fees Bursary or it will lapse.
- 5. The Bursaries are tenable by candidates who are New Zealand citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand, and who are studying in New Zealand at a recognised tertiary institution.
- 6. The basis of the selection will be academic merit, the assessed importance to the sector of having the proposed research carried out and/or the opportunity for capacity building in specific population groups.
- 7. The Fees Bursaries will be awarded by the New Zealand Family Violence Clearinghouse codirectors upon the recommendation of the NZFVC Academic Advisory Group compromised of representatives of AUT, University of Waikato, Massey University, Victoria University and the University of Canterbury.
- 8. The student will be required to pay their tuition fees directly to the academic institution at which they are enrolled, then submit an official receipt to the NZFVC. Reimbursement for this tuition payment (to a maximum of \$5,000 including GST) will then be issued directly by the NZFVC to the student.



- 9. The New Zealand Family Violence Clearinghouse co-directors have the power to terminate or suspend a Bursary if it receives an unsatisfactory report on the progress of a Scholar from the Supervisor or Host institution. To this end, scholarship recipients will be required to complete a six monthly progress report.
- 10. The New Zealand Family Violence Clearinghouse is not obliged to make an award if in any year there is no candidate of sufficient merit.
- 11. The Fees Bursaries are conditional on the student's acceptance into a 120 point Masters thesis program by their host department/institution and with endorsement from a supervisor.
- 12. The New Zealand Family Violence Clearinghouse has the power to amend or vary these Regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Fees Bursary.
- 13. Applications by way of a completed application form and cover letter close with the New Zealand Family Violence Clearinghouse by 5pm 20th November of the year of the award. No late applications will be accepted.
- 14. Applications which do not include all of the requested information are incomplete and not eligible for assessment for a NZFVC Fees Bursaries.
- 15. The supervisor of the Program must be an acknowledged specialist in the field of family violence.
- 16. It is the responsibility of the student applying for a Fees Bursary to consult with their prospective supervisor and have agreement regarding the supervision of their research **prior to** their application for the NZFVC Research Fees Bursary.
- 17. For further information please contact :

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