



Education Endowment Fund

AusIMM Education Endowment Fund Scholarships Operational Guidelines 2020

The AusIMM EEF Postgraduate Scholarship

1. The objective of the Postgraduate scholarship is to support an awardee who is passionate about study and research and the contribution it makes to the development of the minerals industry. The scholarship includes monetary support, a field trip and opportunities to network and demonstrate leadership within the AusIMM and the minerals sector.
2. The scholarships shall be known as the *AusIMM EEF Postgraduate Scholarship*
3. The scholarship shall be awarded annually by the AusIMM EEF on the recommendation of the EEF National Scholarship Committee, subject to suitable nominations being received.
4. The scholarship is awarded for the length of study, up to a maximum of three years, providing the holder continues to meet the scholarship criteria. Extensions may be granted in extenuating circumstances.
5. The value of the scholarship for full-time students is up to \$25,000 pa* (see eligibility)
6. The scholarship will be split with half the per annum rate being paid each six months in advance.

Eligibility

1. Those seeking the Postgraduate Scholarship must be able to demonstrate how their study and research will benefit the minerals industry. This must be addressed in the written application and at any subsequent interview offered to an applicant.
2. Scholarship holders must be Australian citizens or students with a permanent resident visa status. Full fee paying international students are ineligible to make an application under the scheme
3. Postgraduate students who hold other scholarships, awards or prizes may submit an application. If they are successful, the combined total stipend from all scholarships, awards, and prizes held may not exceed \$45,000 per annum. The following simplified table illustrates how this condition will apply:

Value of scholarship other scholarships, etc, pa	EEF Scholarship Contribution pa
\$10,000	\$25,000
\$15,000	\$25,000
\$20,000	\$25,000
\$25,000	\$20,000
\$30,000	\$15,000
\$35,000	\$10,000

Expectations for scholarship holders

1. Scholarship holders must be current members of the AusIMM and maintain active membership during the tenure of their scholarship and for a minimum of five years following the award of the scholarship. This includes involvement in local AusIMM Student Chapters and/or Branches and acting in an ambassadorial role for the AusIMM and the Education Endowment Fund.
2. Scholarship holders must maintain their enrolment in the agreed course of study and demonstrate satisfactory progress on completion of each year through the submission of a written assessment from their academic supervisor or when requested by the AusIMM EEF.

3. Pro-rata payments for part-time study may be applied at the discretion of the National Scholarships Committee.
4. A scholar may defer a scholarship once only for a maximum of one year.
5. A scholar must make continuous disclosure of details of all other scholarships, awards and prizes held.
6. All members of the AusIMM are expected to observe the AusIMM Code of Ethics. A Scholarship may be cancelled should a recipient be deemed in breach of the Code of Ethics by involvement in unethical practices or through unprofessional conduct at any time during the tenure of the Scholarship.
7. Scholarship holders must report on their achievements at agreed intervals and then each year after graduation for a minimum of five years.
8. Scholarship holders are expected to actively participate in the field trip arranged for awardees during the first year of their scholarship. This usually occurs in July of each year.
9. Scholarship holders are also required to present to relevant groups on their field trip, AusIMM membership and/or scholarship experiences as requested.
10. It is incumbent upon Scholarship holders to maintain an active membership of the AusIMM for a minimum of five years post graduation.

Application requirements

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For PhD candidates, the application should include a cover letter and a research report outlining the following:

- your current discipline
- research topic (including area of discipline it falls under)
- research degree type (Masters/PhD – note that Master students will need to demonstrate intention to transition into a PhD; scholarship applies for the PhD candidature program)
- date of commencement and expected date of completion
- how your research findings will affect the minerals industry
- how receiving this scholarship will advance your research
- why you have chosen your research topic
- summary of literature review
- timeline of research and milestones
- research budget
- details of any other scholarships, awards and prizes held or in prospect

For all other postgraduate candidates the application should include all items requested in the application form.

Applicants are asked to note that applications MUST be submitted as a single and complete pdf file. It will not be possible to add to an application or submit additional documentation after the closing date.

Contact eef@ausimm.com.au for any further information on the AusIMM Education Endowment Fund and its scholarship program.