

Background

A generous endowment from the family of the late Mr Robert Allen Simpson, a founding member of the Flinders University Council and honorary degree recipient, has enabled the establishment of the RA Simpson International Scholarship. The purpose of the scholarship is to assist students to undertake part of their course of study overseas. The aim, to enhance their Flinders University studies by providing an international perspective. Subject to the availability of funding, one or more scholarships valued at either \$1,000 (for semester) or \$500 (for short term) will be awarded in each semester. The number of scholarships to be awarded will be determined by the RA Simpson Memorial Fund Management Committee.

Tenure and Benefits

The scholarship will be awarded for study undertaken overseas for a period of no longer than six months. Applicants will be eligible for a scholarship valued at either \$1,000 (for semester) or \$500 (for short term) to contribute towards the cost of economy class international airfares and domestic travel with the nominated program, and additional living expenses while in-country including accommodation and meals associated.

The subsidy will be withdrawn if the subsidy holder ceases to meet the eligibility criteria specified above.

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- (a) be students enrolled in an undergraduate or coursework postgraduate course of Flinders University; and
- (b) have successfully completed:
 - at least 36 units of the undergraduate degree, for which the scholarship is being sought; or
 - a relevant undergraduate degree of Flinders University, if seeking the scholarship for a program of study to be undertaken during an Honours year; or
 - at least 18 units of the coursework postgraduate course, for which the scholarship is being sought; and
- (d) be enrolled in full-time study while undertaking study overseas; and
- (e) be accepted into the Flinders University Exchange program or an approved short term mobility program; and
- (e) have their overseas study count as credit towards their course of study at Flinders University; and
- (f) have not previously received a RA Simpson International Scholarship.

Selection

The RA Simpson International Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academic merit and the extent to which an applicant's proposed program of study will enhance their Flinders University studies by providing an international perspective. Selection will be made by the International Scholarships Committee which will comprise the Director, Student Administration, Executive Director, International Centre or nominee, Student Finance Supervisor, and Manager, Student Mobility, International Centre.

Scholarship recipients who obtain other awards concurrent with the RA Simpson International Scholarship shall immediately inform the Higher Degree Administration and Scholarships Office. The student is required to retain such other awards and the International Scholarships Committee shall decide on the value of the scholarship after considering all circumstances.

Applications

An application for the Flinders University Exchange Program will be considered an application for this scholarship. Interested students should consult with their Faculty Office before applying to ensure that their proposed program of study is acceptable for credit towards their Flinders University course.