Brightwater Lyn Beazley and Curtin PhD Scholarship in Brain Injury Rehabilitation

Status: Open
Applications open: 20/09/2019
Applications close: 15/02/2020

About this scholarship

Description/Applicant information
Brightwater Care Group in partnership with the Curtin School of Occupational Therapy, Social Work and Speech Pathology and the Faculty of Health Sciences, are offering this joint PhD scholarship in brain injury rehabilitation. Brightwater is a leading WA not-for-profit provider of aged care, disability and retirement services. Professor Lyn Beazley AO, former Chief Scientist of WA, is a generous and long-term advocate of Brightwater, in particular Brightwater’s Oats Street Brain Injury Rehabilitation Centre.

The scholarship will provide the recipient the opportunity to have real life experience. It will be offered to a student interested in questions such as:

- What is the impact of patient-centred community based functional rehabilitation for people with acquired brain injury?
- How are post-acute rehabilitation outcomes translated into sustainable long-term living arrangements for people with ABI?
- How does a neuroscience approach help clients to regain the sense of touch for participation in everyday activities in the home?

Student type
- Current Students
- Future Students

Faculty
- Faculty of Health Sciences

Course type
- Higher Degree by Research

Citizenship
- Australian Citizen
- Australian Permanent Resident
- New Zealand Citizen

Scholarship base
- Merit Based

Value
The successful candidate shall receive a stipend valued at $30,000 per annum, tax-free.

The duration of the scholarship is three years with a possible extension of up to six months providing that the student meets eligibility guidelines as per the conditions of the award.

The candidate will also have the opportunity to apply for up to $5,000 per annum for 3 years for research related expenses distributed in line with the Curtin Guidelines for Essential Facilities and Research Support, and Mobility Support.

Scholarship Details

Maximum number awarded
1

Eligible courses
The applicant must meet the academic entry requirements for admission into a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) program, including the English proficiency levels set by Curtin University https://futurestudents.curtin.edu.au/research
The applicant must be an occupational therapist who holds a Bachelor with Honours degree or Masters degree with Research in Occupational Therapy.

Eligibility criteria
- Australian Citizen, or Australian Permanent Resident or New Zealand Citizen
- Full-time enrolment
- Criteria for entry including a research master degree, or a bachelor degree with first or upper second-class honours with a research thesis in occupational therapy
- Applications are invited from those with a degree in Occupational Therapy

Enrolment requirements
As outlined in the scholarship conditions

Changes to Enrolment
NA

How to apply

Application process
Interested applicants should email their expression of interest, including the following documents, to Associate Professor Courtenay Harris on C.Harris@curtin.edu.au
1. A letter expressing interest in the position
2. Current CV, and
3. Academic transcripts
Submitting a short sample of academic writing (e.g., except honours/masters thesis, published article) is encouraged but not mandatory.

Need more information?

Enquiries
Name: Associate Professor Courtenay Harris
Position: Deputy Head of School - Occupational Therapy, Social Work & Speech Pathology
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Further information
Curtin University Faculty of Health Sciences provides $20,000 per annum for up to 3.5 years towards the stipend.
In addition, Brightwater Care Group provides $10,000 per annum for up to 3.5 years towards the stipend, plus Brightwater Care Group provides up to $5,000 per annum for up to 3 years towards research related expenses to be awarded in line with the Guidelines for Essential Facilities and Research Support for Higher Degree by Research (HDR) students.