

Summer Studentships - advice to applicants

Purpose

These studentships are intended to provide personal support for students so they can gain research skills and experience

Scope

- Undergraduate students will complete a studentship of at least 10 weeks' duration over the summer period

Who can apply?

- New Zealand citizens or permanent residents
- Undergraduate students who intend to complete a summer studentship at a tertiary institution in New Zealand

What is funded?

- A tax-free stipend of \$6,000

What will not be funded?

- Students who have already completed a Neurological Foundation summer studentship

Closing dates

If the closing date falls on a weekend or holiday, it will be extended to the next working day

- 1 September

Process

- Create an application on our online portal at <https://grants.neurological.org.nz/>. You will need to create a new account if you are a first-time user
- Your application will go to your configured research office for review, before being sent on (at the institution's decision) to the Neurological Foundation
- Supporting documentation:
 - NZ Standard CV for the proposed supervisor, using the template available on the application form
- Applicants will be advised of the outcome late in September
- Successful applicants will be informed of the conditions of the grant and asked for their formal acceptance of the studentship contract

General Advice

Purpose

The Neurological Foundation's purpose is to "be a catalyst to improve the future quality of life for New Zealanders impacted by neurological conditions".

The Neurological Foundation will accept applications for research aligned with this purpose, including biomedical, bioengineering, clinical, and epidemiological research. The Foundation will accept applications designed to further the knowledge and treatment of primary neuropsychiatric or neuropsychological disorders, as long as the research takes a mechanistic approach to discovering or treating a component of the disorder. Applications that deal only with the clinical management of mental health disorders will not be considered.

Research contracts

Successful applicants will be offered contracts that outline the conditions of the studentship, including the following:

- The Neurological Foundation Summer Studentship cannot be held simultaneously with any other summer studentship
- The host institution will administer the studentship
- The studentship will have a specific start date and end date
- A final report will be required within 1 month of the studentship end date
- The studentship is paid in two instalments, with the final \$1,000 instalment approved for payment once the student's final report with the supervisor's comments are received
- Any presentations or publications resulting from the studentship will acknowledge the Foundation's support

Questions?

If you have any queries please contact the Foundation's Research Manager for advice.
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