

The Life Course Centre HDR Bridging scholarship is a post-graduate writing up award to support eligible Life Course Centre higher degree by research (HDR) candidates during the preparation of journal articles or books based on the graduate research thesis submitted for examination. Conditions of the postgraduate writing-up awards are determined by the Life Course Centre.

The awards are supported by the ARC Centre of Excellence for Children and Families over the Life Course, as part of the Capacity Building Portfolio.

The number of awards is limited due to funding and will be based on candidates meeting the required eligibility and selection criteria.

Scope

- **Applications open:** 3rd June 2020
- **Applications close:** 1st October 2020 or when all funds are allocated
- **Award value:** Amount is approximately equivalent to 50% RTP scholarship plus top-up for 3 months paid as a one off scholarship = \$4,000.
- **Distribution of funds:** the award will be paid as a one off scholarship.
- **Scheme value:** The maximum funds available for the scheme in 2020 is \$12,000.
- **Timeframes:** Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until otherwise notified.
- **Notification:** Applicants will be notified of the outcome no later than four weeks after the submission date. Funds must be spent by 31 December 2020. If you need special consideration, please contact Lisa Pope to discuss.

Eligibility and Assessment

You are eligible to apply if you are a Life Course Centre HDR student who has:

- Submitted their thesis
- Support from their Principal Supervisor
- Living stipend has expired
- Remain a current student (i.e. still enrolled)
- Are not in full time employment during the tenure of the award (part-time employment <0.5 FTE is encouraged)

The Capacity Building Portfolio Committee will assess eligible applications against the following selection criteria:

- Academic achievement and potential for scholastic success
- The potential impact of the contribution to Life Course Centre research and capacity building
- Supervisor statement

Application and Award Process

1. The applicant must submit the following application documents for assessment:
 - a) A completed application form including a writing-up proposal, writing plan and timeline;
 - b) An endorsement from the principal/ Life Course Centre advisor;
 - c) A current CV;

Submit to lcc@uq.edu.au

2. On approval of the application, the awardee, in consultation with their supervisor, must provide a start date and agree to the terms and conditions;
3. On completion, the awardee must submit a final report on the work undertaken, and enter relevant KPIs into the Life Course Centre Reportal. If the work has not been satisfactorily completed, the final report must provide a detailed summary of the reasons why;
4. The application form and final report must be accompanied by an endorsement from the supervisor. The supervisor's endorsement must justify the application and confirm that the work is achievable within the award period.

Contacts for Assistance

Queries regarding the scheme should be directed in the first instance to the Life Course Centre Analysis and Development Coordinator, Lisa Pope l.pope@uq.edu.au