4. Selection Criteria

The scholarship will be awarded based on the following criteria:

(1) Academic Merit

A minimum grade point average equating to an A- (80%) average is required in order to be eligible to apply for the scholarship.

- (2) Financial hardship
- (3) Benefit to New Zealand
- (4) Career aspirations
- (5) Applicants must be New Zealand Citizens or Permanent Residents

5. Selection Committee

The scholarship shall be awarded based on a recommendation of a selection committee which shall comprise of:

- (1) The Convenor of the Lincoln University Scholarships Committee, or nominee
- (2) A representative of the William Machin Research Fund Trust Board, namely the Vice Chancellor or nominee
- (3) The Chancellor of Lincoln University, or nominee
- (4) Faculty representatives of the Lincoln University Scholarships Committee

The selection committee may refrain from making an award if it finds no candidate of sufficient merit.

The selection committee may invite applicants to attend an interview as part of the selection process.

6. Tenure

The following conditions of tenure shall apply.

- (1) Every scholarship shall be tenable for a maximum of three years from the commencement date of the tenure of the scholarship, unless the candidate is already registered for a PhD as stated in 6 (3) below.
- (2) The tenure of the scholarship shall begin at the commencement of the Semester immediately following the award.

(3) Where an applicant for a scholarship has been registered for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy prior to the commencement of the scholarship, the tenure of the scholarship shall be reduced by the period the applicant has already been registered for that degree.

7. Programme of Research

During the tenure of the scholarship, every scholar shall be enrolled as a full-time student for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at Lincoln University.

8. Deferral/Temporary Suspension of Study

- (1) The scholar may apply to defer commencement of the scholarship for a period of up to six months from the date of the proposed commencement provided he or she notifies the Scholarships Office in writing of his or her request to do so at least two weeks before the date of commencement.
- (2) Once the scholarship has commenced, the Vice-Chancellor, at his or her discretion, may grant a temporary suspension of the scholarship, without circumstances and the progress of the study.

9. Payments

(1) The value of the scholarships shall be determined by the Trust Board. The stipend shall be paid by fortnightly instalments in arrears, according to the tenure of the scholarship.

Note: The current stipend value is \$30,000 per annum.

- (2) The first payment shall be made as soon as practicable after the student has registered for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at Lincoln University.
- (3) In addition to the stipend the scholarship covers an amount equivalent to

fees will be reduced by an amount equal to the sum available for fees from any other scholarship received by the student up to the value of the relevant

10. Co-Tenure

(1) Except as provided in 10(2) and 10(3) below a scholarship shall be tenable with any other scholarship, bursary or award unless the conditions of the other award preclude it.

(2)

13. Concessions

The Selection Committee may relax or modify the application of any of these regulations in special circumstances or in order to avoid hardship to any scholar or candidate for a scholarship.

14. Applications

Candidates shall submit applications no later than 1 October to the Scholarships Office via email scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz

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PRIVACY PROVISIONS

The information requested in this application form and your academic record will be used solely for the purposes of assessing your application for the Scholarship(s) for which you are applying. Personal information contained in this application will be made available to members of the Selection Committee for this award, the membership of which is detailed in the award regulations.

Lincoln University undertakes to store your application in a secure place in the event that you are successful in gaining an award or are selected as a reserve candidate for an award, and to destroy your application to preserve its confidentiality in the event that you are unsuccessful in gaining an award.

Should you have reason to believe that information held about you in either your application or your academic record is incorrect, you have the right of access to, and correction of, that information.

Personal references from the persons you have named are obtained on the strict understanding that they are confidential, and you may not have access to those reports without the written authorisation of the author.

I,with respect to my scholarship application(s) to Lincoln L	agree to the above conditions Iniversity.
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