

RHD STUDENT SUPPORT ALLOWANCE

An allocation of \$1,000 per year of candidature (maximum of 3 years for PhD and 1.5 years for Masters) is made available to be expended to support the student's research studies (the amount is pro-rata for part-time or shared enrolment).

Balances will be reported to supervisors on a monthly basis and to the student on an annual basis.

Additional funding/support is also provided for appropriate skills courses (usually undertaken in the 1st or 2nd year) - e.g. statistics, computer skills, animal handling. These funds are not available to be expended for any other purpose.

Up to \$500 of the total allocation may be contributed towards the purchase of a laptop, usually in the 1st year of candidature (the amount will be paid as a bursary to the student upon submission of the receipt).

PhD students are expected to use part of their allocation to support attendance and presentation at least one international conference, and Master students one national conference.

The preferred method of expenditure is for the Department to make direct purchases/payments on behalf of the student wherever possible. Therefore, please inform the Department before you organize your trip. Also, all expenditure must be endorsed by the supervisor.

The fund allocation is calculated at the commencement of candidature and balances may be carried forward (any unspent balance at the end of the standard period of candidature (i.e. 3 years or 1.5 years) will be rolled back into Department funds.