

## **Edwina Menzies and Ian Albrey Higher Degree by Research Scholarship**

Menzies School of Health Research is pleased to offer the Edwina Menzies and Ian Albrey Higher Degree by Research Scholarship. As one of leading medical research institutes dedicated to improving the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, and a leader in global and tropical research into life-threatening illnesses, Menzies continues to translate its research into effective partnerships and programs in communities across Australia and the Asia-Pacific region.

In partnership with Charles Darwin University, Menzies delivers high quality research degrees to PhD, Master by Research and Honours students. Our degrees address the major public health challenges in Northern and Central Australia, neighboring and international regions. Our students are supported and mentored by world-class researchers in their respective research fields.

### **About Edwina Menzies and Ian Albrey**

Edwina Menzies grew up in Canberra and the Southern Highlands and worked as a lawyer in various organisations, including CSIRO, universities, start-up companies, and numerous Cooperative Research Centres. This gave her firsthand experience and insight into the challenges around funding for researchers. In later years, Edwina joined the board of the Menzies Foundation, which provided some funding, and the name, for the Menzies School of Health Research. Edwina Menzies is the granddaughter of past Prime Minister, Sir Robert Menzies.

Ian Albrey grew up in Brisbane. He worked for several years in various engineering, Research and Development and commercialisation roles including two involving CSIRO technology. During his work at CSIRO, he developed an interest in intellectual property law and undertook a law degree leading to legal positions in private practice and the Commonwealth Public Service, retiring in 2011.

Ian and Edwina have been long-term donors to Menzies School of Health Research and have an enduring commitment to supporting research that could lead to the betterment of the lives of Indigenous people.

### **1. Eligibility:**

1.1 Applicants must be enrolled in, or satisfy the admission requirements for entry to a PhD or Master by Research Program at Charles Darwin University. For more information on eligibility criteria please visit [CDU Website](#)

**1.2 Applications are open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander candidates only**

### **2. Value of Scholarship**

2.1 The value of scholarship is \$40,000 per annum FTE paid as a tax-free living stipend

### **3. Duration of Tenure**

3.1 Scholarships will be awarded for up to 3.5 years for PhD candidates and up to 2 years for Master by Research candidates, subject to satisfactory annual review.

#### **4. Scholarship Provisions**

- 4.1 Successful applicants will also be awarded \$3,600 per annum (full-time) for direct research costs. Successful candidates may also be eligible for additional top-up funding as it becomes available. In addition to financial provisions of the research awards, candidates will access professional and development opportunities through their tenure (e.g. writing and research design workshops, travel and training).

#### **5. Scholarship Conditions**

##### **Commencement**

- 5.1 Successful applicants must commence the scholarship by the date specified in their Letter of Offer

##### **Candidature**

- 5.2 The student must be enrolled in or satisfy the admission requirements to Master by Research or Doctor of Philosophy program at Charles Darwin University
- 5.3 Scholarship recipients are required to abide by HDR policies and processes of Charles Darwin University and Menzies School of Health Research

##### **Reporting Requirements**

- 5.4 Scholars are required to submit an annual progress report as required by Charles Darwin University
- 5.5 Menzies School of Health Research reserves the right to suspend or withdraw funding if reporting requirements are not met or if progress is deemed to be unsatisfactory

##### **Finance**

- 5.6 All amounts quoted are inclusive of GST.
- 5.7 The scholar is advised to contact the Australian Taxation Office for advice on any tax implications of the scholarship.

#### **6. Application Process**

Applicants should submit the following:

- Completed Application Form
- Current CV outlining relevant research experience
- Copies of academic transcripts

**Please send your applications and supporting documentation to Jasmina Sesar, HDR Coordinator [researchdegrees@menzies.edu.au](mailto:researchdegrees@menzies.edu.au).**

#### **7. Successful Applicants:**

- 7.1 Successful applicants will be notified in writing as soon as possible after the selection committee recommendations are made
- 7.2 Successful applicants will be required to accept the terms and conditions outlined in their letter of offer

### **Termination**

Menzies reserves the rights to withdraw or suspend funding if:

- The scholars progress is deemed to be unsatisfactory
- The scholar does not comply with the scholarship conditions
- The scholar has committed serious misconduct including, but not limited to, provision of false or misleading information

For further information regarding this scholarship and/or eligibility criteria please contact:

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