



## **HONOURS AND MASTERS SCHOLARSHIP** **INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS**

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**Applications close Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024 at 4 pm AWST.**

### *Introduction and purpose*

The Rio Tinto Children's Diabetes Centre; A JDRF Global Centre of Excellence, ("the Centre") based at the Telethon Kids Institute and Perth Children's Hospital in Western Australia is an integrated clinical and research centre conducting research into childhood diabetes.

Our goal is to improve the lives of all young people living with diabetes, their families and community by bringing together research, education, and clinical care. The Centre is supported by five national and global institutions/hospitals (Perth is the lead site).

The Centre aims to encourage new and innovative research, researchers and translation ideas and projects.

Applications are open for our Honours / Masters Scholarships with the purpose of providing funding for students to develop and support their **type 1 diabetes (T1D)** related research as part of their Honours / Masters degree.

The scholarship consists of a once-off **\$5,000 AUD** award.

Applications for the Honours/Masters scholarships are to be emailed to [JDRF.GlobalCoE@telethonkids.org.au](mailto:JDRF.GlobalCoE@telethonkids.org.au) no later than 4pm (AWST) on the 15 September 2024.

### **Student Eligibility Criteria**

*The following students are eligible to apply:*

1. Applicants must be enrolled in an appropriate Honours, or Masters degree in a discipline relevant to T1D at the time the Honours / Masters scholarship commences.
2. Applicants must be affiliated with an institution or researcher as listed in Attachment A.
3. Masters specific
  - a. The scholarship funds can only be applied to the research year of a Masters by coursework.
    - i. The research component of the year for which the funds are to be applied must be no less than 40%.
    - ii. Application should be made in December preceding the commencement of the year to which the funds are to be applied

- b. For Masters by research applicants, the scholarship funds will be applied to the year they were awarded

*The following students are ineligible to apply:*

1. Students who have completed more than half of their Honours research program, or half of the research component of their Masters by coursework program, at the time when the application is received
2. Students who are current recipients of an RTP or other significant scholarship.

### **Project Eligibility Criteria**

1. The research project proposed by the applicant must relate to T1D research.
2. The proposed project must have a defined outcome if it is part of a greater research investigation.
3. It is essential that the applicant have appropriate supervision throughout the duration of the proposed project and that they make all necessary arrangements for acceptance and supervision with the Head of Department or supervisor concerned and secure their endorsement in the space provided on the Application form.

Research projects should demonstrate a link or relationship to T1D research.

### **Application Eligibility Criteria**

A transcript of the student's academic history must accompany the application. This transcript must include all enrolment years, all units the student has been enrolled in, enrolment status for each year (full-time/part-time), and all marks / grades attained.

*Applications will be ruled ineligible if:*

1. an academic transcript is not included with the application
2. the application is received after the closing date
3. the application has not been approved by their primary supervisor.

### **Obligations of the Administering Institution / recipient:**

1. To complete all research within the proposed period of the Honours or Masters program specified in the application, any claims outside that period will need to be endorsed by the Talent and Capacity Building Subcommittee and approved by the Management Steering Committee
2. To notify the Centre of any changes to the Honours or Masters program, at which time the Scholarship will be reviewed by the Talent and Capacity Building Subcommittee. Changes include, but are not exclusively:
  - a. when the scholarship holder's study load is amended
  - b. conversion of degrees
  - c. institution transfer
  - d. delays with the commencement of research
3. Provide a concise report within 6 months of the completion of the Scholarship. A Final Report template will be provided to successful applicants.

4. A section within the report template requires Head of Department or Primary Supervisor sign-off indicating the satisfactory completion of the research project.
5. Acknowledge the financial support of JDRF in any publication arising from the work being supported through this scholarship. Acknowledgement should be in the form of:  
*This research was supported by JDRF Australia Honours [or masters] Scholarship (grant number 5-SRA-2021-1088-M-X).*
6. Provide a copy of the publications concerned to the Centre for review by the Scientific Program Subcommittee at least two weeks (14 days) prior to submission.

The administering Institution agrees to waive all fees associated with the administration of this scholarship.

### **How do I claim funding if my application has been approved?**

1. Payments in respect of the scholarship shall be within the terms and conditions specified in the scholarship offer.
2. For currently enrolled Honours / Masters students, payment will be calculated from the date of the Scholarship Offer Letter, but not before commencement of the Honours / Masters program.
3. Amounts granted are in Australian Dollars and are exclusive of GST. All claims are to be made via a tax invoice from the Researcher's GST registered Administering Institution, including the institution's ABN. This is to avoid paying withholding tax which would reduce the overall grant by 48.5%. Please keep in mind that the invoice must include GST on top of the total grant (i.e. the invoice must include 10% extra for the GST).
4. Scholarships will be paid to the University/administering institution in one instalment on receipt of a tax invoice. The administering institution will be responsible for organising fortnightly payment to the Honours/Masters scholarship holder. The first payment will be back paid from the date of the Scholarship offer letter.
5. In exceptional/extenuating circumstances, and upon formal application, the Centre Co-Directors, at their discretion, may approve a variation to the payment method outlined above.
6. A scholarship holder is required to repay any scholarship overpayment within thirty calendar days of being requested to do so.
7. It is the responsibility of the Scholarship holder to assess the tax liability of their scholarship. The Centre cannot provide advice regarding taxation. Please refer to the taxation rules for your country.

### **How to apply**

Application forms can be found at: <http://diabetes.telethonkids.org.au>

Before sending your application, please ensure all sections have been completed as specified, including the required signatures in the certification section.

An electronic copy of the application (including academic transcript) should be submitted via email to [JDRF.GlobalCoE@telethonkids.org.au](mailto:JDRF.GlobalCoE@telethonkids.org.au) no later than **4pm (AWST) on the 31 October 2024**.

## ATTACHMENT A – ELIGIBLE COLLABORATORS AND SITES

Mr	Cadarette	Daniel	Harvard TH Chan School of Public Health, Boston, US
Dr	Abraham	Mary	Telethon Kids Institute
Prof	Adolfsson	Peter	Gothenburg University, Sweden
Dr	Bebbington	Keely	Telethon Kids Institute
A/Prof	Bergman	Phil	Monash Children's Hospital, Melbourne
Prof	Bloom	David	Harvard TH Chan School of Public Health, Boston, US
Prof	Braithwaite	Jeffrey	NHMRC Partnership Centre for Health System Sustainability, Macquarie University, Sydney
Dr	Burckhardt	Marie-Anne	University of Basel, Switzerland
Dr	Cannon	Jeffrey	Telethon Kids Institute
Dr	Chetty	Tarini	NHS, Lothian, UK
Prof	Coleman	Peter	Royal Melbourne Hospital/University of Melbourne
Prof	Couper	Jenny	University of Adelaide/Women and Children's, Adelaide
Prof	Davis	Elizabeth	Telethon Kids Institute
Dr	de Bock	Martin	University of Otago, NZ/Christchurch Hospital
Prof	Fairchild	Jan	University of Adelaide/Women and Children's, Adelaide
Dr	Fegan	Gerry	Fiona Stanley Hospital, Perth, WA (adult site)
Dr	Ferranna	Maddalena	Stanford University, US
A/Prof	Fourlanos	Spiros	Royal Melbourne Hospital/University of Melbourne
Prof	Fournier	Paul	University of Western Australia, Perth
Dr	Harray	Amelia	Telethon Kids Institute
Dr	Haynes	Aveni	Telethon Kids Institute
Dr	Huynh	Tony	Children's Health Queensland
Dr	Jenkins	Alicia	University of Sydney (adult site)
Prof	Jones	Tim	Telethon Kids Institute
Dr	Kim	KiWook	University of New South Wales
Prof	Maahs	David	Stanford University, US
Prof	Maguire	Ann	Sydney Children's Hospitals Network/University of Sydney
Dr	Messer	Laurel	Barbara Davis Center, Colorado, US
Dr	Neville	Kirsten	Sydney Children's Hospitals Network
Prof	O'Neal	David	University of Melbourne (adult site)
Dr	Pease	Anthony	Monash University, Melbourne
Prof	Riddell	Mike	York University, Toronto, Canada
Dr	Russell	Anthony	Queensland Health (adult site)
Dr	Shetty	Vinutha	Telethon Kids Institute
Dr	Taplin	Craig	Telethon Kids Institute
Dr	Woodhead	Helen	Sydney Children's Hospitals Network
Dr	Zaharieva	Dessi	Stanford University, US
Dr	Zimmerman	Anthony	South Australia Health (adult site)
Dr	Zomer	Ella	Monash University/ Alfred Health/Monash Health, Melbourne
Prof	Zoungas	Sophia	Monash University/ Alfred Health and Monash Health, Melbourne
A/Prof	Zurynski	Yvonne	Australian Institute of Health Innovation, Macquarie University, Sydney