

The Gowrie Bursary

APPLICATION FORM

Applications open on 7 December 2022 and close at 11:59pm, 31 January 2023.

Completed applications must be submitted via email to philanthropic.scholarships@anu.edu.au and addressed to the ANU Scholarships Office.

Please type your application in Times New Roman 10-point font

The Gowrie Bursary is open Australian citizens who:

- (a) are past or present members of the Australian Armed Forces (whether permanent or Reserve), or are lineal descendants of such members (see Section 18. Definitions); and
- (b) are able to demonstrate financial hardship; and
- (c) have completed a Bachelors Degree with Honours (AQF Level 8) or equivalent (AQF Level 9 Extended) and have graduated from a university or recognised tertiary institution in Australia or overseas; and
- (d) have applied for, been accepted into, or are a continuing student in a Masters Degree (Research) or PhD program at any Australian or international university.

In awarding the bursary, the selection committee will consider the level of financial hardship demonstrated, academic merit, strength of character and/or record of community contribution, and any impact on the applicant from their or their forebear's service in the AAF. Special consideration will be given to the lineal descendants of a member of the AAF who died as a result of their service in the Second World War, subsequent wars or non-warlike operations.

Contact Details	
Title	
Family Name	
Other Names	
Gender	
Home Address	
Postal Address (if different)	
Telephone	Work/Daytime: Home: Mobile:
Email address	

Date of birth	
Place of birth	
Citizenship *	
Name of research program	
Name of research institution	
Date of commencement and expected graduation	
Study load (full/part time)	
<i>*Proof of citizenship (a copy of your passport or other documentation) is required.</i>	

Financial Hardship Details

Attach a **Statutory Declaration** attesting to your financial hardship circumstances, supplemented with documentary evidence as appropriate. Your information will be treated as confidential.

Important items to include would be:

- Individual/family expendable capital assets, income from all sources, assistance reasonably expected from family or other sources, and other scholarships held or applied for.
- Individual/family expected liabilities including tuition fees, travel and accommodation costs, living expenses and other relevant expenses.
- Any other relevant financial or other situation factors that impact on your ability to continue with your studies.

Examples of documentation to be included would be Centrelink or Veterans Affairs statements covering such items as Youth Allowance, Austudy, Abstudy, Single Parent Benefit, service pensions and other veterans affairs allowances, and so on.

As per the Conditions of Award, demonstrated financial hardship is an eligibility requirement, and financial hardship a major selection criterion. Providing clear and comprehensive justification for your claim is therefore critical, and it is in your own interests to provide information that is as fulsome as possible.

Armed Forces Connection

In order to confirm your eligibility, you are required to provide:

- a **Statutory Declaration** certifying your relationship to the person through whom you are claiming eligibility; and
- **Supporting documentation** (certified copy of service record, or other evidence) attesting to that person's service in the Australian Armed Forces.

Name of person(s) through whom eligibility is claimed	Your relationship to the person through whom eligibility is claimed	Service details: rank, unit, operational areas and period of service

Additional Year Funding

If you are a current recipient of the Gowrie Bursary applying for an additional year's funding, please attend to the requirements listed below.

Please attach written *evidence of a high standard of academic performance so far in your research*. This should include progress in your research, publications, and attendance at academic conferences and seminars.

You also need to attach a *written report from your research supervisor* confirming your progress and on-going support of your candidacy.

Applicants for additional year funding are required to complete all sections of this application form. Relevant documentation from original application may be resubmitted or updated as required.

Academic Qualifications

Please attach a copy of *your academic transcript(s)* giving complete details of your tertiary studies for all courses completed and/or in progress.

School where you completed Year 12 or equivalent	State/Territory	Year of graduation
Name of undergraduate qualification(s) (e.g. Bachelor of Commerce)	Institution	Years of study (include expected graduation)
Programs in progress	Institution	Years of study (include expected graduation)
Name of postgraduate qualification(s) (e.g. Master of Arts)	Institution	Years of study (include expected graduation)
Additional academic qualifications (e.g. Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice)	Institution	Years of study (include expected graduation)

Please list your *publications, awards, scholarships and other academic achievements*. If you are unable to document all that information in the space provided below, please enter "details attached" and attach it on another page to your application.

Scholarships held (past and present) (please provide details and amounts)	
Scholarship applications pending (please provide details and amounts)	
Titles of publications, papers and theses submitted	
Other relevant academic achievements	

Detail on Proposed Research Program

Provide a 250-word (max.) *description of your current, or proposed, research program* (or updated progress report in the case of Gowrie Bursary holders seeking a second year of funding).

Detail your *progress in securing a place* at the research institution you plan to join, and attach associated email exchanges or other documentation as appropriate.

Academic Referee Report and Statement of Support

Provide your referee with a copy of the Academic Referee Report and list their details below. The Academic Referee Report can be accessed through the ANU's Gowrie Bursary website. Referee reports are confidential and must be sent by your referee directly to the ANU Coursework Scholarships Office (philanthropic.scholarships@anu.edu.au) **1 week prior to the bursary application closing date, 24 January 2023.**

Title and full name of referee	
Position	
Institution	
Email	
Telephone	

The selection committee may choose to contact your referee to verify or further explore details.

Personal Referee Report

Attach a *personal reference from someone who knows you well* and is able to paint a picture of your character and personality. Your referee should specify how long they have known you and in what capacity, and address in particular your claims against the Bursary's *non-academic* selection criteria.

(Your personal referee may be the same person as academic referee, in which case their personal reference will need to be a separate document, not incorporated into their Statement of Support).

Title and full name of referee	
Position	
Institution	
Email	
Telephone	
<i>The selection committee may choose to contact your referee to verify or further explore details.</i>	

Applicant's Personal Statement

Provide a *personal statement pitching your claims against the selection criteria*, providing wider context and filling in any relevant detail that you feel your referee may not be aware of, and addressing those selection criteria that are not covered elsewhere.

Please address any impact on you of your own or your forebear's service in the armed forces, and make any claim for special consideration should your armed forces forebear have died as a result of their service in operations during or after World War Two.

Additionally, provide an outline of your involvement in extracurricular activities you have been involved in at your school, tertiary institution or in the wider community, along with any personal circumstances you consider relevant including particular personal challenges you are facing or have had to overcome.

While the subject matter of your proposed research program will have been covered elsewhere in your application, you might wish to describe here what it was that attracted you to the subject, why you consider it so important, and what sustains your interest in it.

Some detail on your employment history and current employment, along with family structure if relevant, may provide additional context for your financial hardship claim.

Supporting Documentation

To finalise your application for the Gowrie Bursary you will need to fill out the application form where indicated, attach required supporting documents and submit to philanthropic.scholarships@anu.edu.au.

Your application will need to include the following documentation:

- Completed Gowrie Bursary application form.
- Copy of your passport or other proof of citizenship.
- Official, or certified copies of your, academic transcripts.
- Statutory Declaration certifying your relationship to any Australian Armed Forces member through whom you are claiming eligibility.
- Certified copy of their service records, or other supporting evidence.
- Description of proposed research program and progress in securing a place (with supporting documentation as appropriate).
- Statutory Declaration certifying financial hardship circumstances, with supporting documents.
- Personal Referee Report
- Applicant's Personal Statement.
- (For current Gowrie Scholarship/Bursary holders only):
 - Applicant's statement re academic performance and progress to date.
 - Research supervisor's statement re progress and ongoing support.

All documentation must be attached to the application and submitted as a single PDF document via email. If all required statements and supporting documents are not received, your application will be considered incomplete.

Declaration

I declare that the information supplied for this Gowrie Bursary application is, to the best of my knowledge, complete and correct. I will notify the ANU Coursework Scholarships Office as soon as possible if, and when, my details change, including if I am awarded funding from another source.

Name	
Signature	
Date	