

Postgraduate Industry Placement Scholarship

Overview

APL is seeking to develop partnerships between the pork industry and academic institutions to encourage research and innovation activities which are clearly aligned with industry's needs.

The aim of the *Postgraduate Industry Placement Scholarship* is to provide the pork industry with high calibre graduates to work on projects that will improve aspects of the industry's global competitiveness.

Postgraduate training under this scholarship will be designed and supervised by an organisation within the pork industry, in collaboration with a university. It is anticipated that scholarship recipients will spend approximately 60% of their time with the organisation and 40% under academic supervision.

Scholarships are to be applied for by the participating organisation. A suitable candidate will then be recruited by that organisation in conjunction with APL. It is desirable that the successful candidate will have graduated and be eligible for enrolment into a higher degree.

Scholarships may be taken in any area relevant to APL's annual [R&D priorities](#). APL's [Research & Innovation Managers](#) are available to discuss potential projects.

Funding

Postgraduate Industry Placement Scholarships provide up to AUD\$28 000 per annum for salary, and operating funds of up to AUD\$3000 per annum.

Scholarships will be made for a period of up to two years and recipients will be expected to enrol in a MSc., MEng., MBA or equivalent program. There is no requirement for host organisations to provide continued employment for scholarship holders.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria

Any organisation actively involved or seeking to become involved in the Australian pork industry may apply for a *Postgraduate Industry Placement Scholarship*. The main criterion for selection is the identification of a suitable project.

Selection criteria include:

- Appropriateness of proposed project to Masters level
- Input from the participating organisation in terms of student supervision and financial commitment
- Industry significance of the project to be undertaken
- Likelihood of useful outcomes for the pork industry as a whole
- Likelihood that the project will increase competitiveness of the Australian pork industry
- The candidate will undergo training towards a formal academic qualification, under appropriate supervision.

Applications

All applications must be submitted online through [PigNet](#) using the Research & Development Application.

Selection Procedure

Applications from the host organisation will be assessed by APL's Research & Development Advisory Committee against the stated selection criteria. Applicants will be notified within 10 working days of a decision being made.

While advertising and short-listing of suitable candidates is the responsibility of the host organisation, APL reserves the right to be represented on the candidate interview panel.

A scholarship agreement will be written between the research organisation, the host organisation, the applicant and APL.

Closing Date

Applications may be received by APL throughout the year, bearing in mind that R&D priorities are set on a financial year basis.