



DEAFNESS FOUNDATION PHD TOP-UP SCHOLARSHIP

Guidelines

The Deafness Foundation aims is to enhance the lives of people with hearing loss through supporting research that can lead to direct and tangible benefit.

To fulfill this aim, the Deafness Foundation is offering a top-up PhD scholarship to encourage research into areas of need that fit with our vision.

For PhD scholarships starting in 2023, the specific area of research focus is **“Improving access to health services for people with a hearing loss”**.

We invite potential PhD supervisors to propose a PhD project that addresses the above theme using the provided **application template**.

After the winning proposal is selected, the winning supervisor’s University must advertise the project as a scholarship opportunity with a with top-up amount, and recruit a student of sufficient capability to win a standard PhD scholarship.

Once a student has been selected and enrolled, a financial agreement will be made between the University and the Deafness Foundation whereby the Deafness Foundation will contribute \$10,000 for each of three years (or pro rata for part time study), provided that evidence of adequate progress has been reported by the student and/or their supervisor.

Selection criteria will be Scientific Quality (including feasibility) [60%] and potential impact in the focus area [40%].

The Foundation must be acknowledged in any reports, presentations, manuscripts that arise from the project, and reserves the right to use such material that is in the public domain to support the mission of the Foundation.

Timelines are detailed in the table below:

	DATE
APPLICATIONS OPEN	1/07/22
APPLICATIONS CLOSE	22/07/22
WINNING PROPOSAL NOTIFIED	05/08/22
STUDENT SELECTED AND ENROLLED	28/02/23