About the Summer Scholarship Program

The UDRH is offering a number of summer scholarships for students wishing to undertake project work in Whyalla and surrounding areas during the 2013/2014 summer vacation period. The scholarships provide an opportunity for Health Sciences students to live and work in the country for an extended period during the summer vacation. Students will undertake project work with academic staff of the CRE or with practitioners working in local health services.

The UDRH staff have a range of interests and expertise so the scope of project work is wide. Staff interest areas include health service and program evaluation; mitigation of risk factors for chronic disease; chronic disease self-management; Indigenous health, men’s health and mental health.

Students may also be assigned a small collaborative project where students from different disciplines will work together towards a common goal.

How many scholarships are being offered

There are a number of scholarships of 4 weeks duration will be offered to Australian students studying human service or health sciences programs at the University of South Australia. Scholarships will be available commencing with the end of the November exam period and must be completed by the end of February 2014. A student can elect to take up to two scholarships, or 8 weeks in total.

Who is eligible

Undergraduate students or students in Graduate Entry programs offered by the UniSA are eligible to apply. Undergraduate students must also have completed the second year of their undergraduate program. Applicants must be Australian Citizens or permanent residents of Australia.

What does the scholarship provide

Scholarships provide a travel subsidy of up to $150 for bus fare or own vehicle fuel. Furnished accommodation in the UniSA Whyalla Student Village will be provided for the entire stay at no cost to students. Students will also receive a subsistence allowance of $350 per week for the duration of the placement. The UDRH will meet all costs associated with the specific project including project travel expenses and cost associated with other directed activities (e.g. cultural awareness training). Students will meet other costs including costs of additional personal travel, food, social activities and entertainment. Payments to students will be made weekly in arrears to a nominated bank account.

What will I be doing

Students will work on an allocated project to an agreed plan and timetable under the supervision of CRE staff either in Whyalla or other agreed rural or regional centre. Students will also undertake other agreed activities during the placement period, for example a cultural awareness workshop, EndNote training or other. Students are required to complete a reflective journal or prepare a 500 word paper on their experience that need to be submitted on or before the final day of their placement. Students will also be required to prepare a 10 minute oral presentation about their project to be delivered staff and students at research seminar.
How do I apply

Applications must be on this prescribed form (Summer Scholarship Application Form_2013) which is available at [http://w3.unisa.edu.au/scholarship/undergraduate/ug_why_mtgamb.asp](http://w3.unisa.edu.au/scholarship/undergraduate/ug_why_mtgamb.asp). Applications will include a statement outlining reasons for applying and expected outcomes and benefits. Students are also required to nominate an academic referee. Applications will be assessed by a sub-committee of UDRH staff. Applications will take into account the previous academic record and placement performance (where applicable) of applicants.

Completed applications should be forwarded by close of business on 31st October to:

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