**Application for the AW Howard Memorial Trust**

**One-year Research Project Scholarship**

**for**

**Honours and Masters Students**

The applicant is to complete this form. Nominated referees should also provide a written statement of support. Referees should be senior academics or researchers with experience of the applicant's recent work.

This completed application and any supporting documentation must be emailed to the AW Howard Trust using the contact details provided at the end of this application **no later than 31 March in each year.**

Applicants must familiarise themselves with the conditions of the AW Howard Memorial Trust Honours/Masters Scholarship (below) before completing this form.

**CONDITIONS OF THE AW HOWARD MEMORIAL TRUST HONOURS/MASTERS SCHOLARSHIP**

* The student must be intending to commence approved Honours or Masters tertiary studies with any Australian university.
* Masters students need to complete a research project worth at least 50% of their Masters by coursework postgraduate degree.
* Funding is for one year only.
* The student must be an Australian citizen or have been a resident in Australia for the three years immediately preceding the closing date of applications.
* The field of research of the study must be relevant to the objectives of the AW Howard Memorial Trust – agricultural and social science (including economics) relating to the development, management and use of pastures.
* On completion of the approved research, the AW Howard Memorial Honours/Masters awardee will present to the Trust a two-page report summarising outcomes of the study.
* All publications, seminars and other media dissemination of the study outcomes supported by the scholarship shall acknowledge support of the AW Howard Memorial Trust Incorporated.
* This completed application and associated referee reports must be provided to the AW Howard Memorial Trust, howard.trust@sa.gov.au, by the closing date.

**SECTION ONE: APPLICANT DETAILS**

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| **Name:** |  |
| **Date of birth:** |  |
| **Postal address:** |  |
| **Contact number:** |  |
| **Email:** |  |
| **Nationality/Citizenship:** |  |

**SECTION TWO: APPLICANTS ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS**

* 1. **Year first degree awarded and/or current degree enrolled in**
	2. **Faculty and university**
	3. **Other qualifications**
	4. **Special academic awards/prizes received**
	5. **Relevant employment (if applicable)**

**SECTION THREE: DETAILS OF PROPOSED POST-GRADUATE STUDY**

* 1. **University and faculty where proposed research will be undertaken**
	2. **Name of supervisors and their agency affiliations**
	3. **Specify any grant or scholarship you have already received to support your proposed Honours/Masters studies (include any you have applied for, but don’t yet know the outcome)**

**SECTION FOUR: OUTLINE OF PROPOSED RESEARCH**

*(These will be used as primary criteria for assessment)*

**Briefly describe the basis for the research you intend to pursue under the following headings (limit this section to two pages or less)**

* 1. **Proposed title of thesis**
	2. **Outline your proposed timeline to completion including start and submission dates**
	3. **Briefly describe your proposed field of research, research approach and scientific advances being sought**
	4. **Industry significance (i.e. how might your proposed research assist the pasture and grazing industries of Australia?)**
	5. **What skills and experiences do you expect to gain from your research project and how will this assist with your professional development.**

**SECTION FIVE: REFEREE REPORTS**

1. The applicant is required to ensure that two *confidential* referee reports are forwarded directly to the Executive Officer of the Trust. The referees are to be acquainted with the applicant’s experience and present standing. It is the responsibility of applicants to ensure that the referees are able to supply the references to accompany the application to the Trust before the closing date of applications. The referee’s report will include an assessment of the candidate and the proposed project**.**

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|  | **Referee One** | **Referee Two** |
| **Title** |  |  |
| **Last Name** |  |  |
| **First Name** |  |  |
| **Current Position** |  |  |
| **Address** |  |  |
| **State** |  |  |
| **P/code** |  |  |
| **Country** |  |  |
| **Telephone** |  |  |
| **Email** |  |  |

1. **How did you find out about the AW Howard Memorial Trust Research Project Scholarship?**

**DECLARATION**

I hereby apply for the AW Howard Memorial Trust Research Project Scholarship and declare that the information given in this application is correct and complete. I authorise the AW Howard Trust to obtain details of my enrolment, academic record and pending examination results from other educational institutions or the relevant authorities. I am aware that there are penalties for providing false or misleading information.

If you are successful, the Trust will pay the funds to your organisation on receipt of necessary details. Evidence of the candidature being approved and accepted by the university and faculty will be required before funding starts

**CHECKLIST**

Have you answered all the questions? [ ]

Have you provided the following documents?

* Proof of visa status or residency *(if relevant)* [ ]
* Copies of academic transcripts [ ]
* Referees supporting statements [ ]

**Completed Applications**

Please email the completed application, including all necessary supporting documentation and academic transcripts, to the Executive Officer, AW Howard Memorial Trust at (howard.trust@sa.gov.au) by **31 March in each year.**

Applicant’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_