

BABS PhD Top-Up & Publication Scholarships

Support Scheme for Postgraduate PhD Students
in the School of Biotechnology and Biomolecular Sciences (BABS)

Guidelines & Application Form

Background

The School of Biotechnology and Biomolecular Sciences (BABS) is offering PhD top-up scholarships to new students and publication scholarships to continuing students. The BABS PhD top-up and publication scholarship scheme is a School-funded initiative to provide support to PhD students enrolled in BABS and to encourage students to publish their work.

1st year top-up scholarship:

Eligibility

The following PhD students are eligible:

- Candidates must be enrolled/enrolling in a BABS PhD program
- Candidates must hold a primary competitive postgraduate scholarship (RTP, UPA, UIPA or TFS)
- Candidates must NOT hold any other top-up scholarship (e.g. Scientia scholarship holders are not eligible)

Funding

- The top-up comprises a \$5,000 lump sum payment.

Instructions

- No application is required.
- The School will notify successful candidates.

Publication scholarships:

Eligibility

The following enrolled PhD students are eligible:

- Candidates currently enrolled (not on leave), provided candidature is on track for completion within 4 years full-time (or part-time equivalent)
- Candidates must NOT hold any other top-up scholarship (e.g. Scientia scholarship holders are not eligible)
- Annual progress reviews must be completed and up to date
- Papers published/accepted with the student as 1st author
 - Publications must be accepted within 4 years full-time enrolment (or part-time equivalent)
 - BABS must be listed as your affiliation on the paper
 - Journal must be in Q1 journals and have an impact factor of 4 or higher
 - Students who received the BABS top up/publication scholarship previously for a publication cannot apply again for the same publication

Funding

The publication scholarship is competitive, and the number awarded is dependent on available funding. Two tiers of funding are on offer for 2021. Funding will be awarded according to two-tiers.

1. Tier 1: A \$3,500 lump sum payment for > impact factor 4 publications in Nature-Indexed Journals.
2. Tier 2: A \$2,500 lump sum payment per publication with those supported dependant on impact factor only.

Selection

The School allocates a limited number of scholarships each year so this will be competitive against publication quality. Applications will be assessed and ranked based on journal impact factor and/or if the publication is in a Nature-Indexed Journal.

Instructions

- Candidates can find impact factors by searching for journals on the [Web of Science \(Journal Citation Reports\)](#)
- Candidates can search [here](#) for Nature Indexed publications
- Applications should be submitted by October 21 via the online [form](#)
- The School will notify all applicants of the result via their UNSW student email address

Any enquiries regarding the BABS PhD Top-Up & Publication Scholarships should be directed to the BABS HDR Support Officer, in the BABS School Office:

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