

POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP

Olga Tennison Autism Research Centre

Postgraduate Research Scholarship: Employment in Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorders

La Trobe University and the Olga Tennison Autism Research Centre (OTARC) is offering a three-year full-time Postgraduate Research Scholarship to a highly motivated student to study employment in adults with autism spectrum disorders. The PhD candidate will be supervised by Professor Cheryl Dissanayake, Director of OTARC and Professor in the School of Psychology and Public Health, and will be co-supervised by Dr Darren Hedley, Research Fellow.

OTARC is Australia's first centre dedicated to research on Autism Spectrum Disorders. It provides a vehicle for research activities, evidence-based intervention programs, training opportunities and collaboration between community services and research centres/universities involved in autism research both in Australia and overseas. OTARC is situated in the School of Psychology and Public Health within the College of Science, Health and Engineering (SHE) at La Trobe University in Melbourne, Australia.

The PhD study will be part of a research program seeking to understand the impact of participation in employment on adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder, their families, their co-workers and the employment organization, and which aims to identify enablers and barriers to success at work.

Scholarship Details

The successful candidate will receive a La Trobe University Postgraduate Research Scholarship (LTUPRS) awarded initially for a period of up to three years. The scholarship value (2015 rate) is AUD \$25,849 per annum (tax exempt).

<http://www.latrobe.edu.au/researchers/grs/hdr/applying/scholarships-financial-support>

Selection Criteria

- Undergraduate degree with first class honours in psychology, health science or a related field
- Interest and/or experience in Autism Spectrum Disorders
- Experience in research (e.g., conducting research projects, data analysis, publications)
- Potential for completing a PhD
- Good organization and communication skills

Eligibility

A Master's or a Bachelor's degree with Honours.
Open to international and domestic applicants. International students must be an H1 applicant and should contact the La Trobe International Office or visit the University's International web site for information about application procedures.

Expression of Interest

Please contact Professor Cheryl Dissanayake (C.Dissanayake@latrobe.edu.au) prior to submitting an application. Attach a CV supported by a verified academic record, and one page introductory letter demonstrating how you meet the selection criteria. Successful applicants will then need to apply through the La Trobe Graduate Research School where their application will be assessed prior to a formal offer being made.

Graduate Research School

<http://www.latrobe.edu.au/research/future/latrobe-graduate-research-school>

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CLOSING DATE

Applications for the scholarship close 1 July 2015.

Applications need to be sent to:

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