deeble institute
health policy research scholarships program
application 2019
Scope
The Deeble Institute for Health Policy Research is offering six-week scholarships, based in Canberra, to support outstanding PhD students and early career researchers produce a Health Policy Issues Brief on an area of health services or health policy that has national significance.

The Issues Brief
Health Policy Issue Briefs are easy to read, objective papers that look at a topical health policy issue, synthesise the research evidence and recommend a way forward. They are designed to help policymakers who need to quickly find out what evidence exists in a topic area, how compelling it is, and what the implications might be when using it to develop health policies.

Issues briefs produced during the scholarship will be on a topic of mutual interest to the scholar and to the Deeble Institute for Health Policy Research. The research undertaken to produce the issues brief may directly relate to your existing academic research, or you may propose a new area of research.

Scholarship types
Jeff Cheverton Memorial Scholarship
The Jeff Cheverton Memorial Scholarship has been established by the Australian Healthcare and Hospitals Association (AHHA), together with Brisbane North Primary Health Network and North Western Melbourne Primary Health Network, to honour the memory of Jeff Cheverton, who demonstrated excellence in health leadership until his untimely death in March 2017.

This scholarship supports scholars to specifically develop an issues brief on a topic relevant to:

- primary health
- mental health
- aged care
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health
- LGBTQI health.

Deeble Summer Research Scholarship
The Deeble Summer Research Scholarship program is an exceptional research opportunity for outstanding PhD candidates and early career researchers with a background in health service research. This scholarship is supported by HESTA and is designed to provide recipients with a unique opportunity to gain a better understanding of how to make academic research relevant to policymakers and practitioners.
What we offer

The purpose of the Summer Research Scholarship program is to provide scholars with the opportunity to work in a knowledge exchange organisation in order to gain a better understanding of how to make academic research relevant to policymakers and practitioners.

The Program will offer a range of benefits to Scholarship recipients including:

- The experience of working alongside staff at the peak national health body, the Australian Healthcare and Hospitals Association (AHHA).
- Support to establish connections with policymakers and practitioners working in their field of research
- Training in ‘how to write for policymakers’
- Mentoring and guidance to produce a Health Policy Issues Brief that engages a multi-knowledge audience in an important area of national health service or health policy topic.

Scholarships are generally taken up in the summer academic break following granting of the award; starting from January each year.

We are not able to provide any assistance (financial or otherwise) with travel or accommodation in relation to the Scholarship.

Application

Applications must include the following:

1) Scholarship application cover sheet (below)
2) Research proposal (1,000-word limit) including:
   a) an outline of the proposed research topic,
   b) anticipated outcomes of the proposed research,
   c) intended audience/s
   d) references (max 15)
3) A brief discussion (250 words) on how you will benefit from the scholarship and the opportunity to work with AHHA, and in the case of the Jeff Cheverton Memorial Scholarship, Brisbane North PHN and North Western Melbourne PHN.
4) Academic transcripts for undergraduate and postgraduate study (certified)
5) Curriculum Vitae (4 page limit)
6) Two academic referee reports
I am applying for a:

☐ Jeff Cheverton Memorial Scholarship  ☐ Deeble Summer Research Scholarship
☐ I have read the Scholarship Program Summary and Frequently Asked Questions

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Academic qualifications held (include name of awarding institution and year):
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Are you currently undertaking studies: ☐ yes  ☐ no

If yes, what is your degree and field of study
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Name of institution and commencement date:
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How did you learn about the Summer Research Scholarship Program?
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