

School of Biotechnology and Biomolecular Sciences
BABS PhD Top-Up Scholarships Guidelines & Application form
Support Scheme for Postgraduate Students



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

Eligibility

The following enrolled PhD students are eligible to apply:

- Candidates currently enrolled all year (not on leave), provided candidature is on track for completion within eight full-time semesters or part-time equivalent
- Candidates must hold a primary competitive postgraduate scholarship
- Candidates must NOT hold any other top-up scholarship

For 2nd year applicants onwards (additional to the above):

- Annual progress reviews must be completed and up to date
- Papers published/accepted with the student as 1st author
 - BABS must be listed as your affiliation on the paper
 - Journal must have an impact factor of 2 or higher (Publications in journals with no impact factor will be assessed on a case by case basis)
 - Students will be assessed on their publication record from:
 - S1 – 31st March to 31st March
e.g. for S1, 2015 – 31st March 2014 to 31 March 2015
S1, 2016 – 31st March 2015 to 31 March 2016 etc.
 - S2 – 31st August to 31st August
e.g. for S2, 2014 – 31st August 2013 to 31st August 2014 etc.
S2, 2015 – 31st August 2014 to 31st August 2015 etc.

Funding

The top-up comprises a \$5,000 (per annum) lump sum payment (for 1/2/3rd year students).

For those commencing 4th year, the top up comprises a \$2,500 lump sum payment (as the School will only support students up to 3.5years FT enrolment).

Top-ups are awarded for one year (candidates must re-apply for top-ups each year). Candidates who are unsuccessful in obtaining a top-up are encouraged to publish papers (as first author) and then re-apply when they commence their following year (if still eligible then).

Note: internally supervised students with TFS scholarships are eligible to apply and if successful the funds will be put into supervisors (sponsors) account. Students would then have to discuss with their supervisor how the funds will be used.

Instructions

- Applications should be submitted to babs-pg@unsw.edu.au by:
Commencing year 1/2/3/4 in **S1 - April 17**
Commencing year 1/2/3/4 in **S2 - September 17**
- BABS will notify all applicants of the result via their UNSW student email address
- For 2nd, 3rd & 4th year applicants only:
 - You can find impact factors by searching for the journal on Web of Science (go to **Web of Science** - <http://isiknowledge.com/wos> and click on 'Journal Citation Reports' in the top horizontal menu)

Any enquiries should be directed to the BABS School Office.

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BABS PhD Top-Up Scholarship Application Form

(complete all yellow boxes below)

Name of Applicant:		UNSW ID:	
Commencing:	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 st year <input type="checkbox"/> 2 nd year <input type="checkbox"/> 3 rd year <input type="checkbox"/> 4 th year		
Supervisor:			
Project Title:			
Primary scholarship:			
Do you receive any top-up to your primary scholarship?:	<input type="checkbox"/> YES* <input type="checkbox"/> NO *If YES, please elaborate:		
Are you a local or international student:	<input type="checkbox"/> LOCAL <input type="checkbox"/> INTERNATIONAL		

All applicants: Please attach a brief CV to your application (2 pages or less).

PUBLICATIONS – Required for 2nd, 3rd & 4th year applicants (not compulsory for 1st year applicants):

Please give full reference including DOI and date of acceptance, journal impact factor & outline your contribution to each manuscript. Also, attach a copy of the published cover page/1st page of the paper/s to this application.

#	Full Reference (authors, title, journal, page numbers etc)	DOI	Date of Acceptance	Impact Factor	Contribution (e.g. 1 st author or joint 1 st author)
1					
2					
3					
4					

Signed (Applicant)		Date:	
Signed (Supervisor)		Date:	

Submit completed application to the BABS School Office (via email to babs-pg@unsw.edu.au) by the following deadlines:

- Commencing year 1/2/3/4 in S1 - April 17
- Commencing year 1/2/3/4 in S2 - September 17