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ANZMES Grant

Scope

An Award for domestic postgraduate students or academic researchers in the Faculty of Science, Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences, Faculty of Public Health, Faculty of Health, Faculty of Sport and Exercise Science who are conducting study/research on Myalgic Encephalomyelitis/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome (ME/CFS) or ME/CFS and Long COVID.

About the Grant

Application status: DUE TO OPEN SOON

Applicable study: Postgraduate studies or academic research in the Faculty of Science or Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences, or Faculty of Public Health, Faculty of Health, or Faculty of Sport and Exercise Science.

Opening date: 31 May 2025

Closing date: 31 July 2025

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Results announced: 30 September 2025

Tenure: One year

For: Assistance with laboratory research/study

Number on offer: Two

Offer rate: Annual

Value: Up to \$25,000

The Award was established in 2023 and is financed by Associated New Zealand ME Society Incorporated.

The main purpose of the Award is to contribute towards the costs of laboratory analysis for a student involved in a research project on ME/CFS or ME/CFS and Long COVID who is studying towards a postgraduate degree in the Faculty of Science, Medical and Health Sciences, Public Health, or Sport & Exercise Science who can demonstrate project cost requirements.

Selection process

The Scholarship is awarded by ANZMES on the recommendation of their Scholarships Subcommittee.

Regulations

1. The Grant shall be known as the ANZMES Postgraduate Grant.
2. The Grant shall be awarded by the Associated NZ ME Society Inc on recommendations by their Scholarships Subcommittee.
3. The Grant will comprise a reward up to \$25,000.
4. Two of these Grants are available annually.
5. ANZMES is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there is no candidate that meets the criteria and/or no candidate of sufficient merit.
6. The Grant is a one-off payment made during the year of application.
7. The Grant is made payable to the university for the outlined research costs and must be used explicitly for the prescribed research.
8. A signed donation agreement between ANZMES and the university is required for payment to be made.
9. The Grant is tenable by students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand, enrolled as domestic students, at a recognised university OR by academic researchers, residing in New Zealand and employed by a recognised university.
10. The Grant is offered annually to students who meet all the requirements of these regulations and are enrolled (full-time or part-time) in postgraduate study in one of the following: Faculty of Science, Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences, Faculty of Public Health, Faculty of Health, Faculty of Exercise & Sport Science, OR to academic researchers who meet all the requirements of these regulations and are employed in one of the above mentioned Faculties.
11. Previously successful applicants may apply annually.
12. The basis of selection will be on relevance of the proposed study to ME/CFS or ME/CFS and Long COVID, academic record of excellent standing, backing for the project (such as supervisor endorsement).
13. When a student or academic researcher, through withdrawal or failure to meet any programme requirements, is no longer eligible to pursue the programme of study for which the Grant has been offered, the Grant will be terminated. Any funds not used must be returned to ANZMES.
14. A Grant may be terminated on receipt of a report of unsatisfactory academic progress from the student's direct supervisor and/or Head of Department or School.
15. ANZMES must be acknowledged as a Grant funder in any relevant reports or journal articles with full texts relevant to this research, and receive progress reports relating to the research developments.
16. There is an expectation that the Grant recipient adds a sentence to their auto-signature for outgoing email relevant to the research, that stipulates that they are a recipient of the ANZMES Postgraduate Grant.
17. ANZMES reserves the right to use the Grant recipient's name and image in promotions about this programme and in marketing campaigns related to research for ME/CFS or ME/CFS and long COVID.

18. ANZMES can amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Grant.