

## **GCI TOP-UP SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION SHEET**

The Graeme Clark Institute for Biomedical Engineering (GCI) was created to coordinate biomedical engineering activities across Faculty of Engineering and Information Technology (FEIT), Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences (MDHS), and Faculty of Science (FOS). The GCI brings together expertise and capabilities from medicine, engineering, and science, including the life sciences, computer sciences, mathematics and the social sciences.

The GCI top-up scholarships are awarded to graduate researchers of exceptional research potential. Top-up scholarships are intended to supplement a Research Training Program scholarship or other university awards. Top-up scholarships are generally \$7,000 - \$8,000 per year for up to three years. The exact amount and duration of the top-up scholarship can be varied.

The Graeme Clark Institute will award the top-up scholarships with the following conditions:

## Eligibility

To be eligible for the GCI top-up scholarship, an applicant must:

- Have already been awarded a Research Training Program scholarship or other university award/stipend;
- Be a new or existing graduate researcher at the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technology, or Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences, or Faculty of Science at the University of Melbourne with supervisors being researchers from at least two out of three faculties named above, or external industry partners or clinical hospitals;
- The research project is relevant to biomedical engineering. For key research areas within the institute, please refer to: https://clarkinstitute.unimelb.edu.au/#research.

## Application criteria

- Applications are to be submitted online via the link: <a href="https://clarkinstitute.unimelb.edu.au/research-support-initiatives/gci-top-up-scholarship">https://clarkinstitute.unimelb.edu.au/research-support-initiatives/gci-top-up-scholarship</a> by the specified due date
- Applications are to be accompanied by a 3-minute video pitch describing how the GCI can support
  you in your research and study, and how you can contribute to the GCI if being awarded the GCI
  Top-up Scholarship
- Applications are to be accompanied by the supervisor's assessment (to be sent directly to the GCI
  by the supervisors via an online form). Please note that it is the applicant's responsibilities to ensure
  the supervisor's assessment to be submitted on time before the closing date
- When submitting your application, you agree to be a GCI member and acknowledge GCI affiliation
  on your research outputs if successful. Please note that the GCI may ask permission to post your
  research project highlights on our website, annual report or other communication platforms. Refer to
  GCI Membership Terms of Reference.

## Assessment of applications

- Applications are invited once a year or on an ad-hoc basis if the quota is not filled on the first round;
- Your application will be received by the GCI administrative staff and checked that sufficient information has been provided for further consideration;
- Equal co-supervision from faculties, industry partners and clinical hospitals is strongly encouraged and will be looked upon favourably;
- Your previous and current contributions to the GCI (if any) will be looked upon favourably;
- Generally, successful applicants will be advised of the outcome in writing within 4 weeks after the closing date;
- If there is a change in circumstances after approval of funding, meaning that the funding is no longer required for the proposed activity, the applicant must notify us immediately.

For further information and enquiries for GCI funded Top-up Scholarship scheme, please contact the Centre Manager, Minh Nguyen at <a href="mailto:nguyen.m@unimelb.edu.au">nguyen.m@unimelb.edu.au</a> or 03 8344 9630.