## APPLICATION – CONFERENCE / TRAVEL SUPPORT – HIGHER DEGREE BY RESEARCH (HDR) STUDENTS TO ATTEND THE 5TH WORLD PARKINSON CONGRESS TO BE HELD IN KYOTO, JAPAN, 4-7 June 2019.

The Management Committee of Parkinson’s Queensland Inc (PQI) has committed to providing Travel / Study Awards of up to **$3,000 each**, including taxes, to assist Queensland based Higher Degree by Research (HDR) students attend the **5th World Parkinson’s Congress** to be held **in Kyoto, Japan from 4-7 June 2019**. The final number of Awards to be made will be determined by Parkinson’s Queensland Inc. It is unlikely there will be more than five Awards made.

More than 3,000 people from 60+ countries are expected to attend WPC 2019. Delegates will include those who are dedicated to understanding, researching, treating, and curing Parkinson’s disease (PD), including those who are living with the condition.

Applicants will undoubtedly be very aware how seriously the issue of Parkinson’s Related Research is to our members and, indeed, all people affected by Parkinson’s whether they be diagnosed, family, Carers, friends, nurses, healthcare professionals, allied health professionals or colleagues.

Parkinson’s Queensland Inc. (PQI) believes in the importance of supporting where possible those HDR students who are actively engaged in this vital area of research. It is why PQI has introduced its Conference Travel Support program to assist in reinforcing the importance of the role of researchers within the Parkinson’s community.

PQI is keen to enable Awardees to become exposed to the leaders of global research into all aspects of Parkinson’s Disease in both a formal and social environment. WPC 2019 will be a life impacting experience.

**It is important for all applicants to understand the base conditions of these Awards which include**:

* PQI will not fund any Application in full.
* Only applications submitted on the accompanying form will be considered.
* Endorsement letters from HDR students’ primary supervisor will be useful in determining outcomes.
* PQI will fund on a matched basis up to a maximum of $3,000 including taxes.
* Applicants who demonstrate both personal input and that of the applicant’s institution, university or other support bodies/organisations demonstrating matched funding evidenced by documentation will be well regarded.
* Applicant personal input is not expected to match that of PQI. However, personal commitment will be highly regarded.
* While not a condition of an Award, membership of PQI will be highly regarded.
* The final decision on Awards made and the amounts involved will rest with the Management Committee of PQI whose decision will be final. Appeals will not be considered.

This important travel award emphasises to research institutions and governments at all levels that PQI wants to see the availability of such awards increase in our State while demonstrating it has taken a proactive position through its investment.

While there is still much to be achieved to assist Queensland based HDR students as they go about their research tasks and assisting in improving the quality of life for people living with Parkinson’s, this award is a strong start and forms part of a new approach towards encouraging professional development, awards and grants. PQI sees this opportunity as a positive step towards greater engagement with all research bodies and those who lead the work towards understanding and curing Parkinson’s Disease.

HDR students currently actively engaged in Parkinson’s related research programs within Queensland based research institutions including universities are encouraged to apply for this support.

Please only use the format following:

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **APPLICATION – CONFERENCE / TRAVEL SUPPORT – HIGHER DEGREE BY RESEARCH (HDR) STUDENTS TO ATTEND THE 5TH WORLD PARKINSON CONGRESS TO BE HELD IN KYOTO, JAPAN, 4-7 June 2019.** | | | | | | |
| **Full Name:** |  | | | **Post nominal:** |  | |
| **University/Institute/Organisation:** |  | | | **Department** |  | |
| **Your Role:** |  | | | | | |
| **Your Address:** |  | | | | | |
| **Telephone: / Mobile:** |  | | |  | | |
| **Confirmation of your registration including evidence of associated costs and invoice to be attached.** | | | | | | |
| **Program to Attend** |  | | | | | |
| **Organising Body:** |  | | | | | |
| **Program Begins:** |  | **Program Ends:** | | |  | |
| **Are you a Member of PQI** | **YES / NO** |  | | | | |
| Please prepare a brief outline (250 words) of the importance of this Course and Award to you, the anticipated academic and professional benefit, including how you anticipate applying your qualification and experience in support of the Mission, Vision and Values of Parkinson’s Queensland Inc. [www.parkinsons-qld.org.au](http://www.parkinsons-qld.org.au) (Include additional pages as required) | | | | | | |
| List and attach supporting documentation. Only travel and registration fees can be funded. | | |  | | | **$** |
| List any other financial support you will receive from within your employer or from outside sources. | | |  | | | **$**  **$** |
|  | | | | | | |
| **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY APPLICANT:** | | | | | | |
| I undertake to provide a written report and a copy of any presentation I may deliver relating to this Award funded program to Parkinson’s Queensland Inc and / or evidence of my participation and success within 14 days of completing the program. If for any reason I do not complete or attend the program, or do not provide a report within 14 days, I will return all allocated monies to the grant-maker, Parkinson’s Queensland.  I also undertake to make my report available for publication within Parkinson’s Queensland’s ‘Connections’ magazine or similar publications and on-line.  Signed: …………………………………………………………………………… Dated: ……. /…… / …………. | | | | | | |

|  |
| --- |
| **ENDORSEMENT OF EMPLOYER / SUPERVISOR** |
| Please provide comment on the standing of the program, its relevance to the applicant’s professional development within your organisation and the strength of your support for the applicant undertaking this program  Application for Study Support Grant: ENDORSED. / NOT ENDORSED.  Name:  Supervisory Role:  Signed: …………………………………………………………………………… Dated: ……. /…… / …………. |
|  |
| **ENDORSEMENT OF DEPARTMENT** |
| Application for Study Support Grant: ENDORSED. / NOT ENDORSED.  Name:  Supervisory Role:  Signed: …………………………………………………………………………… Dated: ……. /…… / …………. |
| **CLOSING DATE: 15th March 2019** |
|  |
| **FINAL STEPS** |
| Please forward your application to the CEO of Parkinson’s Queensland Inc by email [ceo@parkinsons-qld.org.au](mailto:ceo@parkinsons-qld.org.au) ensuring each section of this application is completed, all support information is attached and that you have provided your BSB and Bank Account details.  If your application is approved, the grant will be transferred into your bank account as soon as possible thereafter.  Please allow at least 28 days before anticipating advice of your success or otherwise.  Good luck. |