

# Conservation Commission Vincent Serventy Memorial Scholarship Application form



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The Conservation Commission Vincent Serventy Memorial Scholarship honours Mr Vincent Serventy's lifelong contribution to education about the conservation of wildlife and the environment. In 2009 one student will be awarded \$5,000 to assist with the costs of an Honours project on environmental education for biodiversity in natural areas.

The Scholarship will be paid to the successful applicant in two \$2,000 instalments, each following the Census dates of Semesters One and Two, with the final \$1,000 awarded on the submission of the thesis.

## Eligibility

To be eligible to apply for the Conservation Commission Vincent Serventy Memorial Scholarship, students must:

- Be intending to enrol full-time in an Honours course at Murdoch University with a research proposal that focuses on environmental education for biodiversity in natural areas with the potential to have practical outcomes in biodiversity conservation
- Attach a summary of intended research project
- Provide a comprehensive personal statement demonstrating skills and/or interest in biodiversity conservation, and outlining academic and career goals
- Provide written references from one and no more than two former employers or academic referees
- Have a record of high achievement in previous studies and/or professional work
- Be an Australian Citizen

Desirable:

- have completed Environmental Education for Sustainability (EDU450/EDU650) or equivalent.

## Selection Criteria

The following will be taken into consideration by the selection panel:

- History of satisfactory academic progress
- Intended research project
- Personal statements
- Satisfactory references by appropriate referee(s)
- Financial hardship may be taken into consideration

## Please Note

THE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND CONSERVATION COMMISSION EVENTS AS REQUIRED

Students will be notified as to the outcome of their application in January 2010.

The outcome of the application will be advised by email. No further correspondence will be entered into concerning the outcome.

The University reserves the right not to award the scholarship if no applicant is considered suitable.

## Where to submit your application

### By post

Scholarships Office  
C/- Student Service Centre  
Murdoch University  
90 South St  
Murdoch WA 6150

### In person

Student Service Centre  
Chancellery Level 2  
Murdoch University  
South St Murdoch

Applications close 4: 30pm Friday 27 November 2009

Enquiries to Scholarships Officer Rebecca Sawyer: [ds@murdoch.edu.au](mailto:ds@murdoch.edu.au)

## Contact Details

Murdoch Student Number

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Title ..... Surname .....

Given Names .....

No/Street .....

Suburb .....

State ..... Postcode .....

Mobile ..... Home Phone .....

Email .....

## Enrolment Details

Are you intending to enrol in an Honours course at Murdoch?

- Yes       No – Stop you are not eligible to apply

Please state the Course name and code .....

Will you enrol full-time?       part-time?       Stop - you are not eligible to apply

## Summary of Research Project

Please ATTACH a summary of your Honours research proposal, including an explanation of how the project addresses the requirement of involving environmental education for biodiversity in natural areas, with the potential to have practical outcomes in biodiversity conservation.

## Personal Statement

Please ATTACH a personal statement that addresses the following:

- Demonstrate in a statement of no more than one A4 page:
  1. Passion about the environmental education for biodiversity in natural areas
  2. Knowledge and/or experience in social research or environmental education
  3. Knowledge and/or interest in biodiversity and environmental conservation
  4. A history of relevant community involvement
  5. Excellent communication skills
  
- Include a goal statement of no more than A4 page demonstrating why you should be the successful candidate, including how the scholarship will enable the achievement of personal goals, academic success and planned career pathway.

## Referee(s)

Please ATTACH a written reference from one and no more than two persons qualified to comment on your academic history, and/or past or current employer.

Please provide the contact details of your referee(s):

<b>Referee One</b>	
Name	
Address	
Occupation	
Phone	
Email	

<b>Referee Two</b>	
Name	
Address	
Occupation	
Phone	
Email	

## Declaration and Witness

I declare that the information I have supplied on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if any false or misleading information is provided it could lead to the cancellation of, and repayment of, my scholarship and that I will be subject to the provisions of the Student Discipline statute.

I give authority for Murdoch University to supply all appropriate details to the donors of the Scholarship where required.

I understand that the scholarships are funded by a donation and acknowledge that Murdoch University has no obligation or liability to award or continue to award the scholarships.

**If my application is successful, I acknowledge that as part of my acceptance of this scholarship I will be required attend an official presentation ceremony at a time to be advised.**

Applicant Signature ..... Date .....

Witness Signature ..... Date .....

Witness Name .....

Witness Address .....