



# Menzies-Ramaciotti Centre

# **Training Scholarship Information Sheet**

# Background

The Ramaciotti Regional and Remote Health Sciences Training Centre (Menzies-Ramaciotti Centre) is developing a sustainable, local, Aboriginal, and Torres Strait Islander biomedical and health workforce in the Northern Territory. The Centre facilitates biomedical and health career progression for regional and remote youth, focusing on career development for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth. The Centre is guided by overarching values of equity, reciprocity, self-determination, mutual support and trust.

Further information on the <u>Menzies-Ramaciotti Centre</u> can be found on the Menzies website.

# About the opportunity

The Menzies-Ramaciotti Centre offers training scholarships to support Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander residents of regional, remote, or very remote Northern Territory. Successful recipients, called scholars, will be eligible for a scholarship paid as a stipend of \$440 a fortnight to train at the Ramaciotti Centre for two days per week. The final scholarship value will depend on the recipient's employment income and access to government income support such as ABSTUDY. Scholarships will be awarded through a competitive application process.

The scholarship will enable scholars to learn new skills in health sciences, earn microcredentials, and enrol in an accredited VET course, pathways program or undergraduate units. The scholars will receive training and mentoring from expert researchers. In addition, peer-to-peer support will enable the recipient to explore Centre pathways to meet their aspirations.

Scholars will have a range of professional development opportunities open to them. They will be able to work in additional areas of interest at Menzies, including health promotion, clinical trials, or research administration. Scholars will receive culturally responsive mentorship and support throughout their workplace training.

The scholars will receive a stipend (fortnightly payment) for three months and training and mentoring from industry experts in health sciences based at Menzies School of Health Research in Darwin.

# Eligibility

- This opportunity is for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander residents of regional, remote or very remote Northern Territory.
- Aged 18 years or over and able to enrol in an accredited VET or university course.
- Able to conduct their placement at Menzies School of Health Research





# Application requirements

The application must demonstrate a commitment and interest in a career in the health sciences. Each application must include:

- CV outlining studies and any employment or extracurricular activities
- Completed application form

Applications must be submitted to Menzies-ramaciotti@menzies.edu.au

The successful applicants will commence their training scholarship upon signing and returning their letter of offer and complete it within three months.

Specific days and dates of the placement will be negotiated between Menzies and the successful applicant at the time of award.

## Application evaluation

Applications will be assessed by a panel including Menzies-Ramaciotti Centre representatives.

# **Obligations of scholarship recipients**

Recipients of the training scholarship will be required to:

- Attend placement on the days and times as agreed with their supervisor as outlined in the Scholarship Agreement.
- Attend meetings and workshops
- Attend engagement activities
- Follow Menzies standards of professional conduct, health and safety regulations, confidentiality agreements, ethical research practices and Menzies smoke-free policy.

#### Award of scholarship

The scholarship value is a maximum of up to \$3000 over three months as a living stipend (fortnightly payments of \$440) for up to 3 months. This amount paid may vary due to access to other income through employment and government support such as ABstudy.

Placement scholarships will be administered by the Menzies School of Health Research. The scholarships include a stipend (living allowance), which is generally tax-exempt unless paid to candidates enrolled part-time. There may be some tax implications if you claim a dependent spouse tax rebate in your tax return. Menzies School of Health Research does not provide tax advice and recommends contacting the Australian Taxation Office to check on any taxation implications for yourself and your family.

The stipend will be paid by direct transfer to the recipient to the bank account specified by the successful applicants.





# For enquiries, please contact:

The Ramaciotti Regional and Remote Health Sciences Training Centre (Menzies-Ramaciotti Centre) Menzies School of Health Research Email <u>Menzies-ramaciotti@menzies.edu.au</u>



# Terms and Conditions – Menzies-Ramaciotti Centre Training Scholarships

#### Commencement

- Successful applicants must commence the training scholarship by the date specified in their Letter of Offer, as agreed with their supervisory team.
- If the recipient cannot commence on this date, they must apply for permission to defer through their principal supervisor to the Menzies-Ramaciotti Centre.

## Reporting

- The Menzies-Ramaciotti Centre reserves the right to suspend or withdraw funding if reporting requirements are not met or progress is deemed unsatisfactory.
- From time to time, students may be required to supply or present information to forums such as meetings, media releases and/or promotional activities.
- Students may be asked to participate in Menzies-Ramaciotti Centre-related activities such as meetings and presentations.

## Finances

• Students are provided a stipend of up to \$440 a fortnight.

## Termination

The training scholarship may be terminated for reasons including:

- The student has not complied with the Guidelines and/or Terms and Conditions;
- The student has not made satisfactory progress;
- The student has committed serious misconduct, including, but not limited to, ethical breach or provision of false or misleading information.