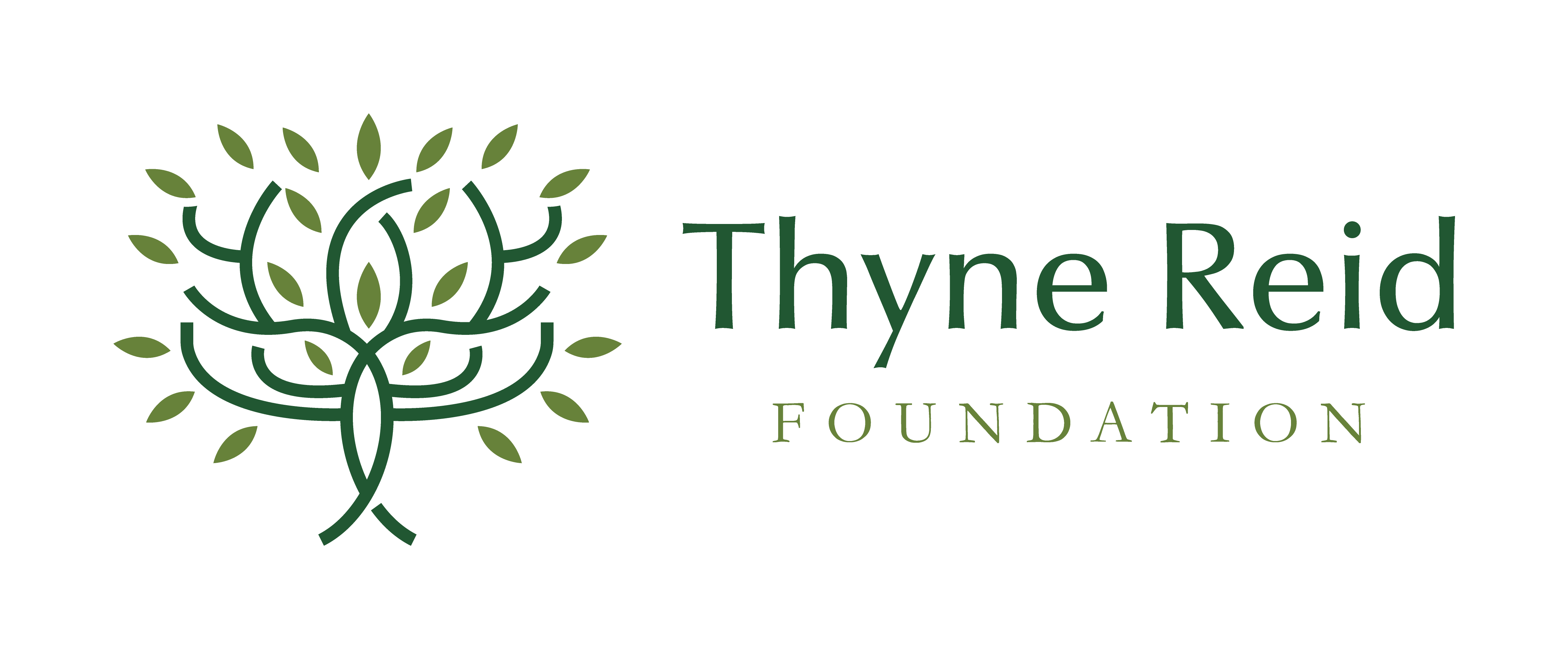
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2018 Thyne Reid/Playford Trust PhD Scholarships

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Outline:

Working with government, the tertiary sector, industry and the community the Playford Trust provides a range of scholarships for high achieving South Australian students to develop the research and skills base required to advance areas of strategic importance for South Australia.

In partnership with the Thyne Reid Foundation the Playford Trust offers two PhD scholarships, with a further two scholarships fully supported by the Trust. A total of four PhD scholarships are offered.

The scholarships are intended to supplement an existing Australian Post Graduate Award (APA) or similar award for students commencing research in the Trust’s priority areas. For each scholarship a sum of $5,000 will be paid per annum for three and a half years. The Trust will accept an application for an extension of time, subject to satisfactory progress and appropriate support from the university and the PhD supervisor. However, approval of an extension is not automatic.

Eligibility Criteria:

1. Students are commencing a PhD degree in 2018 with The University of Adelaide, Flinders University or the University of South Australia in the following priority areas for the Trust:

* Agriculture, aquaculture and food production
* Water, energy and climate change
* Health sciences and enabling technologies
* Advanced manufacturing and new technologies
* Mining and resource development.

1. An APA or equivalent award primarily supports students.
2. Students are Australian citizens or a holder of a permanent resident visa, and are South Australian residents who are likely to spend a significant part of their career in South Australia or are likely to provide a benefit to the State.
3. Students are high achievers, with an excellent undergraduate academic record.
4. Students are of good character with preference given to students that display leadership potential.

Nomination and Selection Process

The Playford Trust calls for up to six nominations from each of the three South Australian universities. The universities are expected to select the highest calibre students through an internal process that takes account of the selection criteria.

The Trust reserves the right to accept or reject any or all of the nominations if it considers the nominees do not reflect the objectives of the Trust or do not meet the high standards consistent with the status of this award. The Board of the Playford Trust will make the final selections and will do so in consultation with the Thyne Reid Foundation for the two Thyne Reid/Playford Trust PhD Scholarships.

Important information when completing the application form:

1. The student must be an Australian citizen or a holder of a permanent resident visa, and a South Australian resident who is likely to spend a significant part of their career in South Australia or is likely to provide a benefit to the State. The Trust does not support interstate or overseas students currently undertaking studies in South Australia.
2. Complete all fields of the application form and make sure all information requested is provided to assist in the selection process.
3. The student must complete Sections 1, 2, and 3.
4. The student’s supervisor or an academic referee such as the dean of school, head of department or senior lecturer is required to complete Section 4 and comment about the student’s achievements, character, and leadership potential.
5. Attach the final official transcript of academic results to the application and include the Grade Point Average in Section 2 in the appropriate field.
6. Information on the proposed research project to be undertaken is required to assist the assessment process.

Lodging the Application Form:

**The closing date for applications is Friday 19 January 2018**

Applications should be forwarded to the Playford Trust through the student’s university. Completed application forms with the endorsement of the university can be posted or emailed to the Playford Trust.

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Executive Officer, Playford Memorial Trust Inc.

c/- Executive Services, Office of the Chief Executive

Department of Premier and Cabinet

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Email: [admin@playfordtrust.com.au](mailto:admin@playfordtrust.com.au)

Please name the file “PhD University Name Surname Name First Name 2018” and remove the two information pages when submitting the application.

Further information:

Further information about the Playford Trust scholarships is available on the [Playford Memorial Trust Website](http://playfordtrust.com.au). Specific enquiries can be directed to Mary Anne Fairbrother at [admin@playfordtrust.com.au](mailto:admin@playfordtrust.com.au) or on 08 8429 5220.

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Application Form

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| SECTION 1: STUDENT DETAILS - *to be completed by the student* | | | | | | | | |
| Title | Surname | | | | Given name | | | |
| Home Address | | | | | | | | |
| Suburb | | | | State | | | Postcode | |
| Home number | |  | | | | Mobile number | |  |
| University Email Address | | |  | | | | | |
| Personal Email Address | | |  | | | | | |
| University | | |  | | | | | |
| Faculty and School | | |  | | | | | |
| The Trust requires nominees to be primarily supported by an APA or equivalent award. Disclosure of any awards or scholarships held is required. | | | | | | | | |
| Please list your primary award any other awards or scholarships held by you: | | | | | | | | |

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| SECTION 2: SELECTION CRITERIA *- to be completed by the student* |
| Please address each of the criteria in the boxes provided: |
| Are you an Australian citizen? Please indicate YES / NO  If not, are you the holder of a permanent resident visa? Please indicate YES / NO  Do you expect to stay in South Australia after completing your degree? Please indicate YES / NO  Please provide a brief statement about your future aspirations. |
| Applicants must be high achieving students, with an excellent undergraduate academic record. An official transcript of results should be attached to the application. |
| Please state your Grade Point Average:  Provide a summary of your academic achievements and attach a final official transcript of your results to the application.  *Academic achievements could include details about your achievements in research projects or vacation employment or what led to you being competitive with any awards, scholarships, or prizes.* |

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| Applicants must be of good character. Preference will be given to students that display leadership potential. | | | | | |
| Provide a summary of how you have shown leadership and your involvement in community organisations and sporting activities or any other personal development opportunities. | | | | | |
| SECTION 3: PROPOSED PHD PROJECT *- to be completed by the student* | | | | | |
| Provide the title of the research project    Provide an outline of the research. Include details of the key objectives of the research and the proposed approach to the work. Less than 500 words. | | | | | |
| SECTION 4: SUPERVISOR STATEMENT *– to be completed by the student’s supervisor or academic referee* | | | | | |
| Provide comments about the student’s character, achievements and leadership potential: | | | | | |
| Supervisor’s Name |  | | | | |
| University |  | | | | |
| Department |  | | | | |
| Address |  | | | | |
| Direct Work Number |  | Mobile Number | |  | |
| Email Address |  | | | | |
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| Signature of Supervisor: |  | | Date: | |  |
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| Signature of Applicant: |  | | Date: | |  |