

What is The George and Lisl Singer Scholarship

Gary Singer and Geoffrey Smith wish to fund an undergraduate scholarship named after Gary's parents, George and Lisl Singer who migrated to Australia. Professor Singer was appointed the Foundation Chair of Psychological Science and as Director from the influential Brain-Behaviour Institute (BBRI) which he established in the School. During his distinguished career at La Trobe, Professor Singer received many honours. He was elected as a fellow of both the Australian Academic of Social Sciences and the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He received the Australian Cross (1st Class) for his contributions to science and was appointed as an Honorary Director of the Beijing Behaviour Research Institute.

How much is the scholarship?

\$7500 per year for up to three years paid in \$3750 instalments following confirmation of ongoing eligibility at Semester 1 and Semester 2 census dates (usually April and September).

If you receive the scholarship as a part-time student, you will be paid at the part time rate of \$1875 for each semester that you are enrolled part time.

Who is eligible to apply?

To be eligible to apply, you must:

- be an Australian citizen; permanent resident or holder of a humanitarian visa, who **was not** born in Australia;
- be intending to commence full-time or part-time study in an undergraduate or postgraduate coursework degree in Psychology* in 2018;
- be studying at any campus of La Trobe University;
- be experiencing financial disadvantage

*For a full list of eligible courses, please see page 4 of this document.

How are the applications assessed?

The recipient of the Scholarship shall be selected by the University on the basis of:

- an application form addressing the eligibility criteria and including a personal statement detailing career goals and ambitions and a statement of financial situation (up to 500 words);
- evidence of financial disadvantage
- endorsement of the applicant by the donors.
- Preference will be given to applicants over the age of 21 years

Helpful information

- **Alternative format:** this application form is available in an alternative format for those who need it, upon request, please email: scholarships@latrobe.edu.au
- **Detailed information:** Make sure you provide full details requested in Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this application. Otherwise your application may not be assessed appropriately. All information will be treated with strict confidentiality.
- **Supporting documentation:** Supporting documentation is written verification from someone who is qualified to comment on your circumstances. The person must not be related to you or in a close personal relationship with you.
- **False or misleading information:** La Trobe University reserves the right to withdraw an offer of a bursary and re-assess the application if the University believes the recipient has provided false or misleading information in the application form or subsequently.
- **Late applications:** applications received after the closing date may be accepted by staff **only if accompanied by a signed formal request** outlining **exceptional circumstances outside your control** that have resulted in a late application, e.g. serious illness or other personal crisis. The selection committee will later determine whether or not a late application will be considered, based on the explanation you provide. (Note: Reasons relating to employment, placements, holidays or other activities that you choose to engage in are unlikely to be considered "exceptional".)
- **Application process:** the assessment will commence after the application closing date. You will be notified of the outcome via email approximately 2 weeks after the application closing date. To ensure that all candidates are treated with equity, staff are unable to advise you of the progress of an individual application.

Where to submit the completed application form

You may submit your completed application form via email or post only.

Email: scholarships@latrobe.edu.au by no later than Friday 16 February 2018.

Confidentiality

All information provided by applicants will be treated as confidential. At La Trobe University, we respect the privacy of your personal information. We collect personal information in your application to determine your eligibility for a scholarship, bursary or grant, and to assess your application as part of the ranking and allocation process. In accordance with privacy laws, personal information about you contained in your application will not be used for any other purpose or disclosed to any person who is not part of the La Trobe assessment and allocation process, without your permission. You may have the right to access personal

information we hold about you, subject to any exceptions in relevant laws, by contacting the Scholarships Unit as noted below. The La Trobe University privacy policy can be viewed at: www.latrobe.edu.au/privacy/

Section 1: personal details and course intentions

VTAC ID number (if applicable)

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Date of Birth

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Given names

Family name

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Address

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Suburb

State

Postcode

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Telephone (day time)

Mobile

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Email

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Australian Citizen ☐

New Zealand Citizen ☐

Humanitarian Visa ☐

Permanent Resident ☐

Country of birth (must not be Australia)

Year of arrival to Australia

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Intended course in 2018

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Campus

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VTAC course code (if applicable)

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Section 2: personal statement and supporting documents

2.1 Please provide as a separate attachment, your personal statement (no more than two A4 pages) detailing:

- What has brought you to La Trobe and the course you have chosen to undertake?
- Your level of your financial hardship and how this will affect your capacity to study at University.
- Your future career goals and ambitions on graduating from La Trobe University.
- How you believe this scholarship will benefit you and help you complete your studies.

Your statement must be typed and include your name, signature and the date.

2.2 Please also attach the following:

- Evidence of your financial circumstances, for example a copy of your most recent Centrelink statement or 2017 Tax Return.
- Two referee statements, one personal and one academic where possible.
- Proof of your country of birth
- Any other supporting documentation that you feel is relevant to your application.

Section 3: declaration

I (your full name)

Being the applicant for a George and Lisl Singer Scholarship, do solemnly and sincerely declare that the statements made in this application and in the accompanying documents are true in every particular, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I understand that it is my responsibility to provide the required supporting documentation with my application and that I will not be contacted for missing or incomplete supporting documentation.

I understand that if I provide inaccurate information in this application this may result in cancellation of an offer of a scholarship or termination of a scholarship that has been paid and refund to the University of any monies received by me.

I also understand that the scholarship assessment and allocation process is competitive and that not all applicants who meet the eligibility criteria will be awarded a scholarship.

Further, I understand that giving false and misleading information is a serious offence under the criminal code (Commonwealth).

I understand that should I be awarded this scholarship I will be required to:

- supply an annual report to the Donor
- maintain satisfactory academic progress
- maintain full-time enrolment in one of the above mentioned courses

I understand that should I be awarded this scholarship I may be required to:

- attend joint promotional events or participate in promotional activities in keeping with the spirit of the scholarship as reasonably required by the donor and La Trobe University

I have read and understood the information on page one of this form, including the declaration and agree to these conditions.

Student signature

Date

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Section 4: checklist

		Circle YES or N/A where appropriate
I have read and understand the eligibility criteria of the George and Lisl Singer Scholarship.	YES	
I have completed all relevant sections of the application form and included copies of all the required documentation.	YES	
I have completed, signed and attached my personal statement (Section 2.1).	YES	
I have attached supporting documents as outlined in Section 2.2.	YES	
Any other supporting documents attached? Please list them here:		
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Name of applicant:		
Signed:		Date:

Section 5: eligible course list

- Bachelor of Human Services and Master of Social Work
- Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Psychological Science
- Bachelor of Psychological Science
- Bachelor of Psychology (Honours)
- Master of Clinical Psychology
- Master of Clinical Neuropsychology