

Donald Simpson Neuroscience Scholarship (DSNS)

Application Guidelines

Purpose

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Definitions

“DSNS” Donald Simpson Neuroscience Scholarship.

“NRF” Neurosurgical Research Foundation

Description Established 2024

The Donald Simpson Neuroscience Scholarship honours the life and neurosurgical contributions of Prof Donald Simpson who was instrumental in establishing the Neurosurgical Research Foundation in 1963 and was President 1993 – 2004.

Eligibility criteria

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Recipients will be required to provide a written report to the NRF within 3 months of the conclusion of their travel or project on the impact the DNS had and how it supported their training or research. Approximately \$1,000 to \$5,000 per applicant will be available.

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Applicants will be required to provide a written statement (maximum 1,000 words) outlining:

- CV
- academic achievements
- the nature and dates of the conference
- a budget - Approximately \$1,000 to \$5,000 per applicant will be available
- how the scholarship will enhance the applicant's research skills and knowledge
- current employment arrangements.

In addition to providing a personal written statement, the applicant must provide the names of two referees.

The DSNS will be awarded on the basis of meeting the eligibility criteria, the written statement and references. The selection panel and the Board of the NRF may award one or more scholarships, depending on the finances available.