

The UWA Fogarty Scholarship Program

Creating opportunities

Investing in our future





Next Generation Leaders

Empowering, extending and creating opportunities for high-achieving, high-potential people.

Leadership is central to the Fogarty Foundation as we believe that, through empowering young leaders, they will provide vision and direction enabling positive change to benefit all people in society.

A scholarship of opportunity

The UWA Fogarty Scholarship Program is investing in exceptional young people who use their skills, abilities and commitment to lead positive change in our community, state and nation, now and in the future.

Established in 2004, the Program is a joint initiative of the Fogarty Foundation and The University of Western Australia.

Each year, up to 15 Scholarships are awarded annually to students who study across a range of disciplines. These comprehensive scholarships also include a tailored leadership program for the Scholar's entire university degree and beyond their formal studies.

The program is one of Australia's premier Scholarship programs, working with local and international leaders to provide Scholars and Alumni with comprehensive academic scholarships, enrichment opportunities, leadership development and strong networks.

Since 2004, the Scholarships have educated and supported almost 200 young people who support and inspire each other. Through this support these young people are poised to make a significant contribution to Western Australia.

We need proactive, highly skilled individuals to create our communities of the future.

This change occurs when people have opportunities to learn, acquire skills, build assets and create social networks.

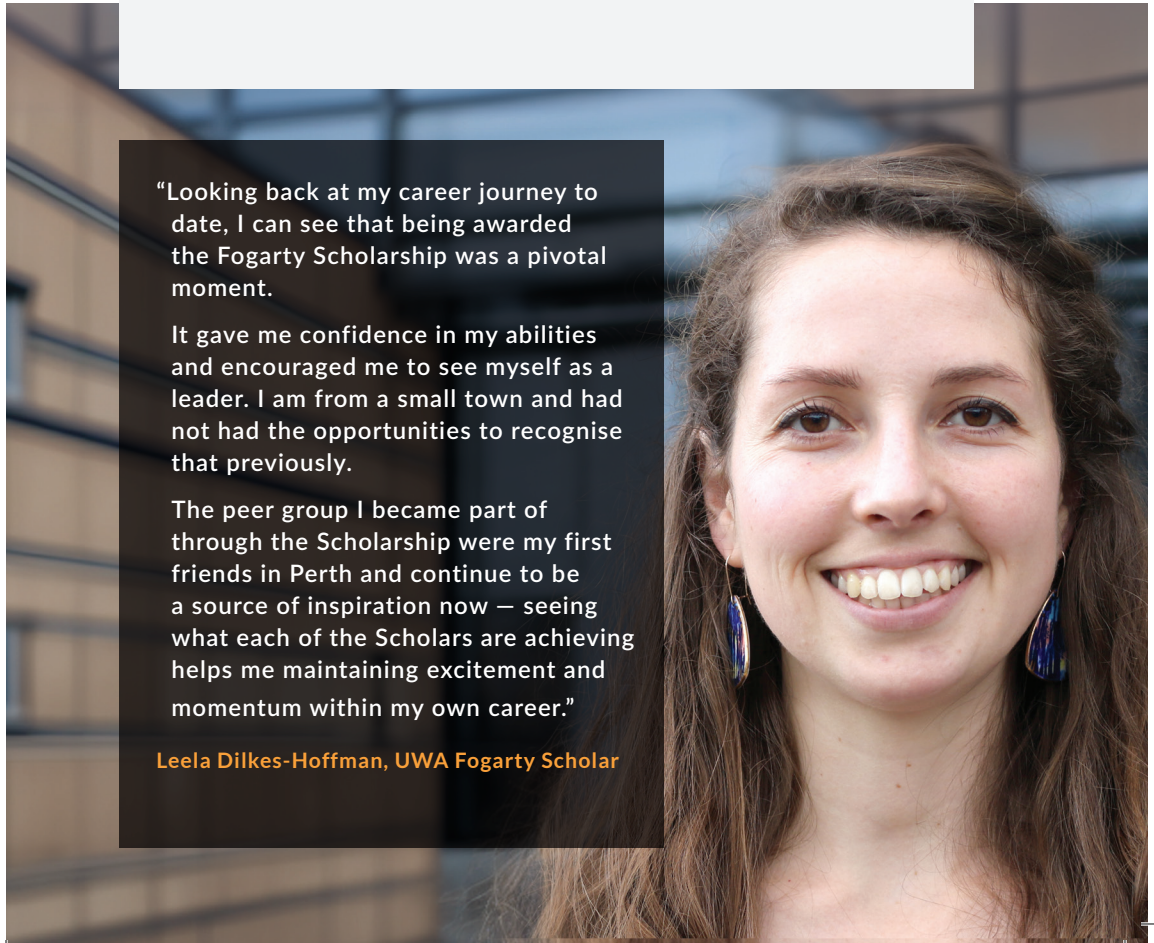
By creating opportunities for exceptional young people in WA through the UWA Fogarty Scholarship Program, Scholars gain knowledge, experience and the belief that they have the ability and skills to take the lead and make change happen.

“Looking back at my career journey to date, I can see that being awarded the Fogarty Scholarship was a pivotal moment.

It gave me confidence in my abilities and encouraged me to see myself as a leader. I am from a small town and had not had the opportunities to recognise that previously.

The peer group I became part of through the Scholarship were my first friends in Perth and continue to be a source of inspiration now — seeing what each of the Scholars are achieving helps me maintaining excitement and momentum within my own career.”

Leela Dilkes-Hoffman, UWA Fogarty Scholar



Who

UWA Fogarty Scholars

Scholars are high-achievers with the desire, motivation and ability to positively influence their communities.

We are seeking students graduating high school who have distinguished themselves in various pursuits. These are students who have demonstrated; a combination of significant academic achievement and accomplishments in two or more other areas; or exceptional talent in one specific area while maintaining outstanding academic outcomes; or high achievement relative to opportunity, that is, they have faced significant challenges and been successful academically and in other areas.

Core Competencies of a UWA Fogarty Scholar

- > **Vision**
- > **Integrity**
- > **Breadth & depth of knowledge**
- > **Initiative**
- > **Emotional intelligence**
- > **Self-reflection**
- > **Adaptability**
- > **Resilience**

How to become a UWA Fogarty Scholar

How

Each year, up to 15 UWA Fogarty Scholarships are awarded to WA's brightest and most engaged high school graduates. Scholarships are awarded on three criteria:

1. Academic achievement*
2. Significant achievements in areas such as sports, arts, community involvement, initiative, leadership and enterprise
3. Demonstration of the Competencies of a UWA Fogarty Scholar

**To be eligible to apply, students must reasonably expect to achieve an ATAR of 98. Students attending Broadway UWA identified schools must reasonably expect to achieve an ATAR of 95.*

How to Apply

Applications will be assessed through:

Online Application

An initial online application that includes:

- **Evidence of Achievements & Activities:** A demonstration of a student's achievement and activities in Year 11 and Year 12 in relation to sports, arts, community involvement, leadership and academic achievements (in at least 3 out of the 5 categories, including documentary evidence).
- **Principal Endorsement:** A signed School Principal Endorsement Form from the student's school principal verifying the student's predicted ATAR.
- **Enterprise (optional):** The option to include a short description of an activity or initiative they have developed that demonstrates enterprising aptitude.
- **Achievement Relative to Opportunity (optional):** The option to include a demography profile and short description of a significant hardship that has impacted daily life and the motivation and hard work shown by the student in overcoming this hardship.

Interview

Students shortlisted from the online application assessment will be invited for an interview. Interviews are usually held in the July school holiday period.

For more information on how to become a UWA Fogarty Scholar scan the QR code

Application tips

Tip #1

Choose the activities and achievements you are most proud of and explain why they have been meaningful to you.

Tip #2

Keep your descriptions brief and succinct.

Tip #3

The UWA Fogarty Scholars are a diverse cohort. Help us get to know you as much as possible through your application.



What

What does the program involve?

Students selected for the UWA Fogarty Scholarship Program are provided with holistic support through opportunities to learn, acquire skills, build assets and create social networks, including:



Comprehensive Education Scholarships

Provides financial scholarships of \$10,000 per annum to assist in university tuition, accommodation & general living expenses as well as academic, social and career support to retain exceptional young people to our state and our nation. Students can undertake a degree in a discipline of their choice at the University of Western Australia.



Leadership and Enterprise Program

Expands horizons by initiating opportunities for exceptional young people to learn from, and have access to, a network of leaders, gain insight into how our community works and how they can positively make a contribution. Scholars are also eligible to receive financial support from the Foundation to launch their own initiative.



Academic Mentoring

Scholars receive tailored academic mentoring from a UWA academic faculty member who guides students through their university journey.



Accommodation

All UWA Fogarty Scholars are offered a place and are eligible for Scholarships towards accommodation at UWA residential colleges.



Scholars & Alumni Network

Access to connected networks of exceptional young people who support, mentor and inspire each other.



Scholars Enterprise Investment Program

An investment fund for Scholar led enterprises; particularly focused on next generation, technology businesses.

The UWA Fogarty Scholars are part of a network of almost 200 like minded, motivated individuals!

Our Scholars are contributing to their communities, our state and our nation in numerous ways:

✓ **Thriving academically, completing their Masters, Honours and PhDs and winning other prestigious Scholarships**

- 6 Rhodes Scholarship recipients
- 4 Fulbright Scholarship recipients
- 2 John Monash Scholarship recipients
- 2 Westpac Future Leadership Scholar
- 4 New Colombo Plan Scholarship recipients

✓ **Contributing to positive change through their work, advocacy, volunteering and activism**

Participating in university and community initiatives including the Fogarty Scholars Association, student societies and youth councils, Teach Learn Grow, UN Youth, Teach for Australia, CoderDojo WA and the World Economic Forum's Global Shapers Hub amongst many others.

✓ **Gaining leadership roles that enable them to make positive change in their chosen fields**

Working for the World Health Organisation, the United Nations, government, hospitals, law firms, consultancies, scientific institutions, teaching and even competing at the Olympics.

✓ **Becoming innovators and (future) job creators by establishing their own initiatives**

- Teach Learn Grow
- Purposeful
- Enitiate
- Australian Strategic Youth Partnership
- Man Up
- BibliU
- BloomLab

All of our Alumni say that the Program has given them an enhanced belief in their ability to influence change and an increased commitment to being an ethical leader.

We believe that individuals can create positive change, but together our Scholars can achieve **great** change...

“Being a member of the Fogarty community has taught me an approach and a philosophy of self-improvement that transcends ordinary tertiary education. I firmly believe the transformative effect of my time as a Fogarty Scholar is one of the reasons I was successful in applying for a postgraduate Fulbright Scholarship.”

Joshua Dunne, UWA Fogarty Scholar, Fulbright Scholar 2019

“Being a Fogarty Scholar connected me with a diverse community of driven young leaders who inspired me to think bigger, challenge myself and pursue my passions with purpose. Even though we all came from different fields, there was a collective drive to make a difference on the issues that mattered most to us. The Scholarship gave me the confidence to back myself and challenge the status quo, helping me to become the leader I am today.



Georgie Carey, UWA Fogarty Scholar

“The Scholarship has assisted me in building relationships with other students – they are drawn from a range of areas but are all doing amazing things and are passionate about their future trajectories.”

Richard O'Halloran, UWA Fogarty Scholar, Rhodes Scholar 2016



Get to know some of our Scholars...



Caleb McKenna

Rhodes Scholar 2024

I am a passionate student of engineering science and very motivated by the energy transition. I have developed a strong interest in technology and innovation through my studies and industry experience. I recently graduated from UWA's Master of Professional Engineering, specialising in Mechanical Engineering.

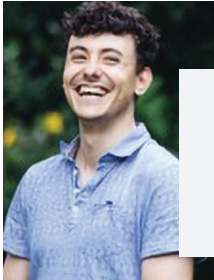
For my undergraduate, I completed the Bachelor of Philosophy Degree, undertaking my honours thesis in mechanical engineering with the UWA Centre for Engineering Innovation.

I gained valuable experience working within the mechanical team at Fortescue Future Industries Green Fleet Development, which aims to de-carbonise rail, mining, and shipping operations through the development of innovative technologies in an exciting R&D environment.

In my later years of studies, I worked with several other Scholars to establish Enitiate, which delivers technical projects to community partners with support from professional industry bodies, aiming to upskill and empower future engineers.

After being awarded the 2024 WA Rhodes Scholarship, I aim to study a DPhil in Engineering Science at Oxford, focusing on modelling of offshore wind turbines, aspiring to contribute to the global energy transition.

Scholar Story



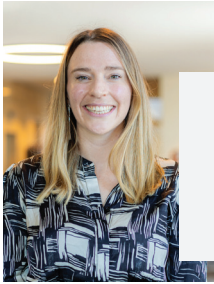
David Sherwood

**BibliU co-founder,
Forbes 30 under 30 Social Entrepreneur**

In 2009, I enrolled in a Bachelor of Science (Advanced) with a Fogarty Foundation Regional Scholarship. The Scholarship provided the opportunities and resources required to forego a part-time job and focus on extra-curricular pursuits. I co-founded Teach Learn Grow (TLG) with Travis Elliott with seed funding from the Fogarty Foundation. Today, Teach Learn Grow provides over 20,000 hours of free tutoring to rural and Indigenous Australians each year. Initially I had wanted to be a scientist, but my experience with Teach Learn Grow made it obvious that I was hopeless in the lab and really enjoyed entrepreneurship.

I was awarded a Rhodes Scholarship in 2013 and commenced Philosophy, Politics and Economics at Oxford University. In my second year I dropped out and co-founded BibliU - Spotify for Textbooks. We have partnerships with 3,200 publishers, including Oxford University Press, Cambridge University Press and Taylor and Francis, and 114 universities across UK and USA. Our vision is to make access to all textbooks affordable for everyone has become a reality..

The Fogarty Foundation was key in developing my interest in education and entrepreneurship as well as providing the resources necessary to allow me to invest the time required by these interest projects.



Hayley Winchcombe

**New Colombo Plan Scholar 2018, Economics and Policy
Consultant, Australia-ASEAN Council Board Member**

I vividly recall my first encounter as a UWA Fogarty Scholar. As a bright-eyed first year student, it was a conversation with renowned US death-row lawyer Professor Bryan Stevenson. The discussion tackled the depths of ethics, philosophy and social theory. It was a moment that ignited my curiosity and fueled my aspiration to make a positive impact on the world.

As a regional Scholar in Perth, I was fortunate to find a supportive community within my Fogarty Scholarship cohort. I was lucky to count my cohort and both older and younger Scholars as my circle of close mentors and friends. Their advice, encouragement and adjacent initiatives inspired me to pursue my own passions, including co-founding the ASEAN-Australia Strategic Youth Partnership which was enabled by the outsized efforts of fellow Scholars Luke Thomas and Racheline Tantular – the latter who now leads the organisation as CEO taking it from strength to strength.

The entrepreneurial spirit fostered by the scholarship through exposure to other Scholars and leaders helped me dream big and weave together my own path. I didn't realise when I started university that I could really choose to do anything with my career, coming from a small town with limited job opportunities. The Scholarship exposed me to a world of opportunities. Recently I was the first hire at Mandala, a new economics and policy startup and have been able to work on everything from fintechs, health economics, US government engagement strategies, homelessness, big tech and quantum computing. Now I'm very glad to be able to mentor and encourage new scholars as well as other students to pursue their own paths. It's a small way to pay forward the gratitude for a program that unlocked so many opportunities for me.



The Fogarty Future's Leadership Conference is run by UWA Fogarty Scholars, for year 10 and 11 students. The Conference is an opportunity for the Scholars to share the skills and knowledge they gain through the UWA Fogarty Scholars' Leadership Program, with aspiring high school leaders and scholars.

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