



## Coastal Restoration Trust of New Zealand Post Graduate Study Award

### **Provider**

The Coastal Restoration Trust of New Zealand ("the Trust")

### **Value**

\$2,000

### **Tenure of award**

One year

### **Closing date for application**

1 February

### **Number of awards offered**

One, although the Trust reserve the right to award additional awards, at their discretion.

### **Purpose of the Award**

The purpose of the award is to provide funds to assist with an individual's post graduate level research to improve knowledge in the field of coastal restoration. This study award is funded by and administered by the Coastal Restoration Trust of New Zealand.

### **The Coastal Restoration Trust**

The Trust works with community groups, iwi, councils & government departments, research agencies, industry and educational institutions to share information and carry out projects that support and improve the restoration of coastal environments around New Zealand.

The Trust's aim is to support and encourage the development of cost effective, practical methods for coastal communities and management agencies to restore natural coastal ecosystem form and function.

## **Eligibility and Conditions**

The study award, is restricted to students enrolled at a NZ University or other tertiary training provider who are studying a discipline related to coastal restoration.

Evidence of employment and/or of registration with a recognised university or other tertiary training provider is required. Where the applicant is currently in employment, preference will be given to applicants who have their employer's approval for the research.

A written report on the research is to be submitted to the Coastal Restoration Trust Research Committee within six months of the work being completed. Where the award contributed to long-term work, annual progress reports are to be submitted.

The recipient may be asked to make a short presentation on the research at the Trust's annual conference depending on additional funding availability. This will be negotiated at the time with each reward recipient.

The Trust may withhold payment until the presentation of final confirmation that the study or research project is to proceed. A letter of intent to make the payment will be issued on the successful granting of the award.

Where a successful applicants course of study spans multiple award years, the applicant will not be eligible to reapply for this award for the same research topic.

## **Applications**

All applications shall be made on the application form and emailed to the Coastal Restoration Trust Co-ordinator. Extra pages may be included, but ensure all parts of the form are filled out.

The applications shall be accompanied by:

- (a) The names and contact details of two referees;
- (b) A statement explaining the relevance of the candidate's current/proposed study;
- (c) Any other evidence that the candidate judges relevant to the application.

## **Assessment criteria**

In making an award the Research Committee will take into consideration:

- The value of the current/proposed research to furthering coastal restoration in New Zealand
- The practical relevance of the current/proposed research to the aims of the Coastal Restoration Trust of New Zealand
- The overall quality of the individual's application
- The personal qualities of the applicant
- Referees comments

A member of the Research Committee may contact the applicant for additional information.

### **Decision making process**

All applications will first be assessed by the Coastal Restoration Trust Research Committee. The Research Committee will submit their preferred candidate to the Trustees for a final decision. A final decision on the award will be made within four weeks of the closing date for applications.

### **Monitoring and reporting**

The award recipient(s) will be allocated a Coastal Restoration Trust contact person for any queries. It will be this person's responsibility to follow up on the reporting and presentation requirements of the award. The reporting requirements are based on three progress reports per year of the study award, the dates of which will be negotiated with each individual recipient and set out in their student contract.

### **Payment and notification**

Once the award recipient(s) has been decided the award will be given to the student based on their reporting requirements being met. A letter of congratulations and intent to pay the award will be provided to the recipient(s) by the Coastal Restoration Trust of New Zealand within four weeks of the closing date. Payment arrangements will be negotiated with each individual recipient and set out in their student contract.

### **Further information**

For more information contact the Coastal Restoration Trust at [info@coastalrestorationtrust.org.nz](mailto:info@coastalrestorationtrust.org.nz)

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Application Form

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| Full name of applicant:  |       |  |
| Postal Address:  |       |  |
| Phone:   |       |  |
| Email address:   |       |  |
| University or other tertiary institute the study is to take place at:  |       |  |
| Academic supervisors name(s) and department:   |       |  |
| Employer's name (if applicable):   |       |  |
| Employer's postal address (if applicable):   |       |  |
| Brief summary of study or project details and the expected benefits for coastal restoration in New Zealand:  |       |  |
| Details of any other funding applied for or received for this or other recent study:   |       |  |
| <p>Declaration: By submitting this application, I confirm that the details given on this form and on the attached papers are provided in good faith and correctly represent the study. I authorise members of the judging panel to contact the named referees to enquire about my professional and personal character.</p> |       |  |
| I have read and understood the declaration (please indicate):  | Yes   |  |
| Signature:   | Date: |  |

**Please attach a brief curriculum vitae and no more than five A4 sized pages detailing additional information to support your application.**