Merlie Ivy Merchant Medical Research Scholarship

**Location:** University of Melbourne, Parkville  
**Duration:** 3 years full-time  
**Scholarship:** Approximately $32,000 per annum full time rate, tax-free stipend

### The Opportunity

The Future Health Today Program is offering a PhD scholarship for an exceptional and talented candidate who is interested in undertaking a PhD project centred around general practice within the Future Health Today (FHT) program. A partnership between the Department of General Practice, University of Melbourne and Western Health, the FHT program focusses on optimising the detection and management of chronic disease in general practice, facilitating evidence-based care and improved patient outcomes through the use of digital technology. Information about the FHT program is available at: [https://futurehealthtoday.com.au/](https://futurehealthtoday.com.au/)

If you are interested in quantifying the impact of the management of chronic disease in the primary care setting and are interested in pursuing a career in research, this may be the opportunity you have been looking for. Whilst the final project scope will be negotiated with the successful applicant, it is anticipated that this project will involve analyses of patient-level healthcare data as well as investigation into how changes in management at the general practice influence risk factors and health outcomes of patients. The project will contribute to the development and implementation of a quality improvement platform as part of the larger Future Health Today program.

The successful candidate will be supervised by leading academic general practitioners at the University of Melbourne. The success of this project will provide many opportunities to advance the future academic career of the PhD student, including involvement in relevant funded projects and development of research grant proposals for further funding. The PhD student will also have the opportunities participate in relevant teaching activities at the University of Melbourne.

### Candidate requirements

Successful applicants will have a good understanding of chronic disease modelling, and a strong background in health economics, public health or health services research in the Australian context.
More information

Scholarship information & application
https://mdhs.unimelb.edu.au/study/scholarships/n/merlie-ivy-merchant-medical-research-scholarship

Doctor of Philosophy – Medicine, Dentistry & Health Sciences
Course overview information: https://study.unimelb.edu.au/find/courses/graduate/doctor-of-philosophy-medicine-dentistry-and-health-sciences/

Entry requirements
https://study.unimelb.edu.au/find/courses/graduate/doctor-of-philosophy-medicine-dentistry-and-health-sciences/entry-requirements/

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