

VicHealth Public Health PhD Research Scholarships are awarded to applicants across a range of disciplines relevant to public health and health promotion. All applicants undergo a rigorous peer review process, including assessment by Victorian and interstate experts.

The following three year scholarships reward excellence in public health research, and support the translation of research into improved health outcomes for all Victorians.

2005/2006 Scholarships

Tania King

Research title: Relationship Between Built Environment, SES, Physical Activity and Obesity

Institution: The University of Melbourne

Catherine Lombard

Research title: Changing Diet and Physical Activity Behaviours Improves Mental and

Physical Wellbeing in Women in Midlife

Institution: Monash University

Sophia Vasiliadis

Research title: A Profile of Adolescent Problem Gambling: Risk and Protective Factors

Informing Prevention Strategies

Institution: La Trobe University

Tabitha White

Research title: What is the Social Impact of the Creative Industries on Regional & Metro

Communities?

Institution: Deakin University

Sara Holton

Research title: Australian Women's Childbearing Decisions: The Role of Gender Beliefs,

Psychosocial and Health Factors

Institution: The University of Melbourne

Kerrie Lante

Research title: Development of an Instrument to Measure Physical Activity Behaviours of

Adults with an Intellectual Disability

Institution: Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology



Ndungi wa Mungai

Research title: Masculinities & the Health of Young Refugee Males From Southern Sudan

Institution: Victorian Foundation for Survivors of Torture

2004 Scholarships

Georgie Russell

Research title: Contributions Of Parental Socialization To Food Intakes And Body Weight In

Children In Two Cultures

Institution: Deakin University

Victoria Inglis

Research title: Why Do Women Eat What They Do? Personal, Social And Environmental Influences On Eating Behaviours of Women From Different Socioeconomic Background.

Institution: Deakin University

Leah Brennan

Research title: Improving Body Composition And Function In Overweight And Obese

Adolescents

Institution: RMIT University

Richard Hayes

Research title: Investigation of Interventions aimed at enhancing Sexual Health in Women

Institution: The University of Melbourne

Frances Edmonds

Research title: The Production Of Aboriginal Art And Its Relationship To The Health And

Well-Being Of The Koori Community

Institution: The University of Melbourne

Seana Paul

Research title: Long-Term Outcome After Stroke And Its Association With The

Management Of Stroke Risk Factors

Institution: University of Tasmania



2003 Scholarships

Sylvia MacKay Pomeroy

Research title: The role of nutrition promotion in secondary prevention of chronic diseases

in older Victorians

Institution: Deakin University

Cecily Maller

Research title: The influence of 'Hands-on' nature-based activities on the mental health of

children

Institution: Deakin University

Della Forster

Research title: ABFAB: the effect of breastfeeding education in the middle of pregnancy on

the duration of breastfeeding

Institution: La Trobe University

Catherine Lazaroo

Research title: Food, fear & self-neglect: repatriation and the health and wellbeing of East

Timorese asylum seekers

Institution: The University of Melbourne

2001/2002 Scholarships

Clare Hume

Research title: The influence of the environment on children's physical activity

Institution: Deakin University

Nicky Welch

Research title: A Study Exploring the Health of Call Centre Workers in Bendigo Call

Centres

Institution: The University of Melbourne

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Public Health Research



Sarah MacLean

Research title: Social meanings of inhalant misuse in Victoria: implications for the

development of policy and intervention

Institution: The University of Melbourne

Debbie Ollis

Research title: Affirming diversity in health and sexuality education: from research to policy

to practice

Institution: La Trobe University