

# Kurrajong Waratah Allied Health Scholarship 2012 PHYSIOTHERAPY

## Eligibility

Students who are undertaking the third or fourth year of the Bachelor of Physiotherapy or the Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours) degree at Charles Sturt University in 2012.

## Value

\$20,000

## Tenure

One year for fourth year students at \$20,000 or two years for third year students at \$10,000 pa

## Conditions

### Applicants must:

- be enrolled full time in 2012 in the third or fourth year of the Bachelor of Physiotherapy or the Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Honours) degree at Charles Sturt University
- have a sound academic record (preferably Credit Grade Point Average);
- be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- demonstrate interest in paediatrics and in working with children who have a disability and/or significant developmental delay
- be a team player and be willing to work within a transdisciplinary team and follow family-centred practice.

### The successful applicant:

- will be required to complete a placement at Kurrajong Waratah's Early Childhood Intervention Services
- on graduation must register with the Physiotherapy Board of Australia
- will be required to enter into an employment contract with Kurrajong Waratah to work as a physiotherapist at Kurrajong Waratah for the two (2) years following graduation

### Kurrajong Waratah will support the recipient with professional development and paediatric training by:

- providing access to relevant Kurrajong Waratah staff professional development activities during their university course and while employed with Kurrajong Waratah;
- providing a two year contract of employment at Kurrajong Waratah upon graduation. This employment will provide professional

experience and ongoing paediatric supervision and mentoring in a variety of contexts;

- paying for attendance at a relevant best practice conference or professional workshops on employment with Kurrajong Waratah, assisting the recipient to meet the professional development requirements of the Physiotherapy Board of Australia.

The recipient will be required to sign a contract prepared by Kurrajong Waratah and to fulfil all the conditions of the scholarship, including the two years employment at the completion of the degree. If they do not fulfil these conditions the recipient will be required to repay to Kurrajong Waratah the money awarded through the scholarship less an amount for completed full time employment with Kurrajong Waratah, unless negotiated otherwise with Kurrajong Waratah.

### Applications close 12 March 2012

### How to apply

Applicants should complete the Application Form in accordance with the specified requirements and forward it to Narelle Patton, as per the information in the Application Form. Shortlisted applicants will be called forward for interview. Application form is located at [www.csu.edu.au/student/scholarships/foundation/albury-wodonga.htm](http://www.csu.edu.au/student/scholarships/foundation/albury-wodonga.htm) or [www.csu.edu.au/student/scholarships/foundation/orange.htm](http://www.csu.edu.au/student/scholarships/foundation/orange.htm)

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## About Kurrajong Waratah

Kurrajong Waratah is a highly respected and innovative not for profit organisation providing a range of services to babies, children and adults with disability.

Commencing in 1957 Kurrajong Waratah is now one of the largest disability support organisations within regional NSW and the largest provider of disability support services in South Western NSW.

Over 850 babies, children and adults with disability and their families or carers are supported through our broad range of services, including Kurrajong Waratah's early childhood intervention service.

## Kurrajong Early Childhood Intervention Service (KEIS)

KEIS provides support, therapy and education services for families and their children with a disability and or developmental delays from birth to school entry.

KEIS offers an integrated coordinated approach to early childhood intervention through each child and family having an allocated specialised team of: early childhood educator, speech pathologist, occupational therapist, physiotherapist and family support worker. The KEIS team works in a transdisciplinary and family centred manner supporting families to provide children with learning experiences and opportunities to enhance their development.

KEIS provides early childhood intervention services throughout the Riverina Murray region with centres in Wagga Wagga, Griffith, Tumut and Cootamundra.

KEIS operates under a hub and spoke model with Wagga Wagga being the hub, coordinating service delivery and providing supervision and mentoring for all discipline members.



## Physiotherapy at KEIS

Being a Physiotherapist at KEIS is dynamic and rewarding. The Physiotherapist works closely with the family and other team members to support children's gross motor development.

The primary role of the Physiotherapist is to work with families to assist their child to develop control and co-ordination of muscle movement.

The Physiotherapist provides therapy services to children with a physical disability, feeding or mobility difficulties, physical pain, balance, posture and core stability issues.

The Physiotherapist in conjunction with the family provides a range of therapy strategies including: stretching, casting, theratogs, splinting, strapping, appropriate exercises, prescribing and adapting equipment.

The Physiotherapist shares their knowledge with the family and the KEIS team to enable children's physical needs to be supported in the home, at early childhood services and in the community.

KEIS will provide excellent supervision and mentoring from an experienced Senior Physiotherapist to support the successful scholarship applicant.

**Don't miss out on this great opportunity.**

**APPLY NOW.**  
**Applications close**  
**12 March 2012**