

## Application for ACIAR Pacific Agriculture Scholarships and Support and Climate Resilience (PASS-CR) Program 2024 - Masters by Research or PhD study

Applications are now open for ACIAR funded postgraduate scholarships for candidates wishing to pursue a Masters by Research or PhD degree at USP Samoa and USP Fiji. Text highlighted in blue is hyperlinked to useful information for your application (internet access is required to view).

All applicants must identify an ACIAR project from the [list provided](#), prepare a research intent in consultation with the relevant USP supervisor and ACIAR Co-supervisor, and attach the following documentation with their completed application form:

- i. Certified copies of academic transcripts
- ii. Two Academic or ACIAR project leader referee letters that highlight the applicant's academic strengths and aptitude to conduct research.
- iii. Signed research intent completed after consultation with USP supervisor and ACIAR co-supervisor
- iv. Curriculum vitae

### PLEASE INDICATE WHICH SCHOLARSHIP YOU ARE APPLYING FOR

- ACIAR - USP MASTERS BY RESEARCH
- ACIAR - USP PhD

**Before completing this application, please contact USP ACIAR Graduate Officer, Josevata Cava on [aciarga@usp.ac.fj](mailto:aciarga@usp.ac.fj) to make sure you meet the eligibility criteria.**

### Your application will not be assessed if you do not meet the following criteria:

1.  **Masters by Research application:** I have a relevant Bachelor degree with a GPA of 4.0 or above (for students wishing to apply for Master's degree after Bachelors) for 200 and 300 level courses, or a relevant Post Graduate Diploma and Bachelors with a GPA of 3.5 or over for both to be admitted into the Masters by Research Program
- or
- PhD application:** I have a relevant Bachelor degree with a GPA of 4.5 (for 200 and 300 level courses) or a Masters degree by research to be admitted to the PhD program.
  2.  I am a citizen of and currently reside in one of the following countries: Fiji, Samoa, Tonga, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands, Kiribati or Tuvalu.
  3.  I have checked my eligibility with the ACIAR Graduate Officer
  4. I have completed the research intent in consultation with my prospective supervisors, and this has also been signed by my nominated USP supervisor and the ACIAR co-supervisor.
  5.  I will be able to meet the USP and Government mandated requirements for travel to Fiji or Samoa

**APPLICATIONS TO BE SUBMITTED BY 5PM 2023**

## PERSONAL DETAILS

First Name	<input type="text"/>	Country of Citizenship	<input type="text"/>
Surname	<input type="text"/>	Place of Birth	<input type="text"/>
Other Names	<input type="text"/>	Address	<input type="text"/>
Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY)	<input type="text"/>		
Email	<input type="text"/>	Phone Number	<input type="text"/>

English Language Proficiency  Previous program taught in English  IELTS test scores

Do you currently hold another scholarship?  No  Yes – if yes please provide details:

Program of Study applied for:  Masters by Research  PhD

## RESEARCH TOPIC

Note that applicants should identify a research topic from the [ACIAR project list](#) and prepare the research intent in consultation with the identified supervisor and co-supervisor from the list. Provide the ACIAR project title and ID here together with your proposed research topic:

Project Title	<input type="text"/>
Project Number (eg. HORT/2019/165)	<input type="text"/>
Research Topic	<input type="text"/>
Supervisor Details (including name and university):	
Principle Supervisor	<input type="text"/>
Co-Supervisor	<input type="text"/>

## QUALIFICATION HISTORY

(evidence of your qualifications will need to be provided)

Qualification Name		Institution	GPA/Grade	Status/Date completed
Bachelor Degree/s				
Master Degree/s				
Other Qualifications				

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

(Starting with your most recent employment first – please also attach a copy of your resume)

Dates employed	Position Title	Organisation	Summary of Responsibilities

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Do you have any prior research experience?

- No
- Yes – if yes please provide details:

Have you co-authored any reports, papers or publications?

- No
- Yes – if yes please provide details as outlined below

Full citation	Type of publication	Has it been peer-reviewed?	Link to access publication
		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	

Have you given any seminars, presentations or talks related to agriculture, fisheries or forestry?

- No
- Yes – if yes please provide details as outlined below

Name of the Event	Organiser	Date

## REFEREES

Please give names, position and full addresses, telephone numbers and emails of two referees who are familiar with you personally and in your studies. Referees should be able to comment on your academic ability and should be known to you in a professional capacity and not be family members or relatives. Referees must also provide a written reference on your skills and ability to conduct research.

### Referee One

Name  Position

Phone number  Email

Your relationship to the referee  Academic support  
 Employer or Colleague  
 Other – please provide details

### Referee Two

Name  Position

Phone number  Email

Your relationship to the referee  Academic support  
 Employer or Colleague  
 Other – please provide details

## CHECKLIST

- Completed application form
- Signed research intent
- Referee letters of support (2)
- Academic transcripts
- Certificates
- Curriculum vitae
- Birth certificate
- Signed declaration

## DECLARATION

I declare that to the best of my knowledge the information provided by me in this application is true and complete. I authorise the University of the South Pacific to collect from and disclose to appropriate third parties such information that it may require to establish and administer my account with the University. I undertake to comply with the rules and regulations of the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research Pacific Agriculture Scholarship Support and Climate Resilience Program and University of the South Pacific Higher Degree program. I fully understand that making a false declaration is an offence under the law.

Signature  Date

