

## EDWARD GIBBON WAKEFIELD DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship is endowed by Mrs Priscilla Wakefield Mitchell of Totnes, Devon, in memory of her great, great uncle Edward Gibbon Wakefield and his three brothers all of whom inspired the founding of New Zealand. The scholarship is also dedicated to the memory of Mrs Mitchell's grandfather Charles Marcus Wakefield, the distinguished diarist, who surveyed so much of early Canterbury; and lastly to the memory of her brother Edward Roger Wakefield killed in action in the Balkans in World War II serving with the Commandos. Roger Wakefield was a graduate of Christ Church, Oxford. The scholarship shall be known as the Edward Gibbon Wakefield Doctoral Scholarship and the holder shall be known as the Wakefield Scholar.

1. The scholarship will be tenable for one year and is open to University of Canterbury doctoral students in all subject areas; however, preference will be given to applicants studying a subject in the Humanities, Creative Arts, Law, Music, or Political Science. Applicants must enrol in a doctoral programme at, or otherwise be attached to Christ Church, Oxford. At the time of application, candidates must be graduates of at least one year standing, and of no more than five years' standing, at the University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand. The Scholar will be subject to the normal competitive admission process of Oxford University and of Christ Church.
2. The scholarship shall be offered to a candidate who was born in New Zealand.
3. The scholarship shall be offered for award as funding permits but normally in every third year unless otherwise decided by the under-mentioned Wakefield Scholarship Committee. If, for the year of award, there is no candidate of sufficient merit, the scholarship will be offered the following year.
4. The scholarship may be held in conjunction with any other scholarship or fellowship, unless the conditions of the other award preclude co-tenability.
5. The scholarship shall be awarded by the University Council, after considering the recommendation of a Special Committee, hereafter referred to as "The Wakefield Scholarship Committee", which shall consist of:
  - i. The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Canterbury or nominee;
  - ii. The Head of the History Programme of the University of Canterbury, or nominee;
  - iii. One person nominated by Mrs Priscilla Mitchell, or by her heirs and successors or their appointee.
6. The criteria for the award of the scholarship are academic excellence and the general suitability of the candidate. Candidates should be familiar with Edward Gibbon Wakefield's life and works, and have specific knowledge of "A View of The Art of Colonisation" 1849, "The British Colonisation of New Zealand" 1837 and Philip Temple's "A Sort of Conscience: The Wakefields" 2002.
7. During the year of tenure, the holder shall devote his or her full time to the objects of the Edward Gibbon Wakefield Doctoral Scholarship.
8. Administration and payment of the scholarship funds shall be through the University of Canterbury and Christ Church, Oxford (See notes).

9. It is recognised that the scholarship will provide only limited financial support of the full costs of the candidate's completing a doctorate at, or other attachment to, Christ Church, Oxford. The overall financial scholarship arrangements will be subject to approval by the Council of the University of Canterbury and of Christ Church, Oxford.
10. If at any time the Wakefield Scholarship Committee, the Wakefield Charitable Trust in the UK, or Christ Church, Oxford, is not satisfied that the holder is complying with the conditions of the award, the scholarship may be terminated.
11. The conditions of the award of the scholarship, including the frequency of the award, and the number of scholarships to be awarded, may be varied from time to time by the Wakefield Scholarship Committee.
12. Applications for the scholarship should be made to the Scholarships Office of the University of Canterbury no later than 5.00pm on 1 November in the year preceding the year in which the applicants would be able to take up the award.

**NOTES:** The value will be determined by the level of the Scholarship's funds, including supplementation from Christ Church, Oxford, and should be sufficient to meet at least most of the direct costs associated with one year's study at Oxford University.

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