

Department of Anthropology

Call for applications

PhD Research Scholarship in Anthropology

PROJECT: Troubling 'Choice': Exploring and explaining techniques of moral reasoning for people living at the intersection of reproductive technologies, genetics, and disability.

A Marsden-funded project (10-UOO-013), Principal Investigator, Dr Ruth Fitzgerald, University of Otago, Co-Investigator, Assoc Professor Julie Park, University of Auckland.

Start date of project: 1 February 2011. PhD student is expected to register on or shortly after this date.

AIM:

To undertake ethnographic research into everyday moral reasoning for people living at the intersections of reproductive technologies, genetics, and impairment/disability.

VALUE:

A stipend of \$NZ 25,000 per annum for three years, plus fees grant of \$5100pa.

The grant covers all approved research costs, including research travel. International students pay fees at the domestic student rate.

• (See the University of Auckland website for information on doctoral registration requirements, fees, other scholarships, and the registration process http://www.auckland.ac.nz/uoa/home/for/future-postgraduates)

EXPECTATIONS

The successful applicant will join a small research group based in Anthropology at the Universities of Otago and Auckland, and be a PhD student in the Department of Anthropology at Auckland. He or she will define his/her individual PhD topic within the general aims of the project, collect relevant background information, conduct ethnographic research and analysis, and undertake report writing and some publication, while preparing her or his PhD dissertation. Regular research reading/writing group meetings are part of the support provided and participation is expected.

The scholarship will be offered conditional on successful registration in the PhD.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Masters degree (2nd Class, First Division / Merit and above) in Anthropology OR BA Honours post-graduate degree (First Class / Distinction) in Anthropology
- Ethnographic research and personal skills and approaches appropriate to the topic and potential participants
- Demonstrated writing and research ability
- Knowledge of medical anthropology/anthropology of science/ 'disability' studies/ or related areas
- Be able to satisfy the PhD registration requirements of the University of Auckland and to reside in Auckland for most of the scholarship period.
- Preference will be given to applicants with knowledge of Te Reo Maori

These and other relevant skills should be detailed in your application.

APPLICATION:

Contact Associate Professor Julie Park by email to be sent an information pack (j.park@auckland.ac.nz).

Applicants are asked to apply by letter detailing relevant education and skills. Please attach to your letter

- your curriculum vitae, including the names of two academic referees
- your academic transcript
- a sample of your academic writing or a link to same.

Email applications to Associate Professor Julie Park, as above, with a cc to Dr Ruth Fitzgerald (ruth.fitzgerald@otago.ac.nz). This is the preferred method of application. Or post to AP Julie Park, Department of Anthropology, University of Auckland, PO Box 92019, Auckland, New Zealand. Phone +64 9 3737599 ext 88589, FAX +64 9 2727441.

CLOSING DATE: The closing date for this application is 15 December 2010.