



GUIDELINES THOMAS BAKER FELLOWSHIP

Clinical Radiology or Radiation Oncology

For Fellows up to six years post-Fellowship at close of application

The RANZCR Terms and Conditions – Grants and Fellowships must be read in conjunction with these guidelines.

PURPOSE

The Faculty Councils of The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists have been empowered by the Trustees of The Baker Foundation to select a Fellow for a period of overseas study. The purpose of the Fellowship is to allow a qualified clinical radiologist or radiation oncologist to further their knowledge by studying abroad.

THE AWARD

The value of the Fellowship is AU\$20,000, to be applied to return travel and living costs for the tenure of the Fellowship.

TENURE

The tenure of the Fellowship may be three to 12 months. In special circumstances, the candidate may elect to spread the tenure over a period of up to 18 months.

ELIGIBILITY

The applicant must be:

- Either a Fellow of the RANZCR (up to six years post-Fellowship at close of application); or a trainee member who has passed the relevant Part II or Phase 2 FRANZCR examination, provided that the candidate expects to be eligible for election to Fellowship at the College not later than 1 April of the year in which it is proposed that the tenure of the Fellowship should commence
- Either a clinical radiologist or radiation oncologist or enrolled in the training program as outlined above
- A graduate of a university in Australia, New Zealand or other medical school approved by the Faculty Councils
- A citizen of Australia, New Zealand or Singapore
- Residing in Australia, New Zealand or Singapore at time of application, appointment and commencement of the Fellowship

Possession of a higher medical qualification is an advantage.

CRITERIA FOR APPOINTMENT

- The applicant must be of good standing within the College being compliant with all College policies (e.g. a financial member, CPD compliant)
- The applicant must nominate their field of interest and demonstrate their ability in that field (e.g. list of published papers, other talks)
- The applicant must provide a substantial statement as to the benefit that the applicant will receive from being awarded the Fellowship
- The applicant must provide support from three referees who will attest to the benefit of the applicant being awarded this Fellowship
- Each applicant should state in the application whether they are in receipt of travelling or study grants from any other source during the proposed tenure of the Thomas Baker Fellowship and should also list any other travelling or study grants received already under the auspices of the College
- The recipient must be prepared to take up the Fellowship and leave for overseas by 1 June of the year following appointment. An undertaking must be given that, within two years

of assuming the Fellowship, the recipient will return and engage in the practice of radiology or radiation oncology in either Australia, New Zealand or Singapore for at least two years

- The recipient is specifically prohibited from attempting to gain any further academic qualification during the tenure of the Fellowship but may arrange to stay overseas for a further period for this purpose. Due notice of such an intention shall be given to the College
- The successful applicant may accept salaried employment during the tenure of the Fellowship, but such employment must be approved by the Chief of Professional Practice or the Chair of the Post-Fellowship Education Committee (PFEC), and the details, including salary, must be provided with the application. Approval by the Chief of Professional Practice or Chair of the PFEC is also required if the opportunity presents itself for paid employment after the award of the Fellowship
- Applicants will be required to submit details of the proposed plan of study, including proposed research projects with the application
- The recipient is required to provide a report to the Professional Practice Committee or Post-Fellowship Education Committee within three months of the completion of the Fellowship.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Any eligible member of the College may apply for this Fellowship by completing the application form, which can be downloaded from the [College website](#).

Application forms should be submitted along with relevant supporting documentation. Late applications will not be accepted.

APPLICATION ENDORSEMENT

If applications are received from only one specialty

All eligible applications will be reviewed by the Professional Practice Committee (for clinical radiology applications) or the Post-Fellowship Education Committee (for radiation oncology applications), who will make a recommendation to the relevant Faculty Council for endorsement.

If applications are received from both specialties

The applications for each specialty will be reviewed and shortlisted by the Professional Practice Committee and the Post-Fellowship Education Committee (PFEC), who will make a recommendation to the Chief of Professional Practice and the Chair of the PFEC as to the top applicant from the specialty.

The Chief of Professional Practice and the Chair of the PFEC then review the highest ranked application from each specialty and collectively make a recommendation to the relevant Faculty Council for endorsement.

If only one application is received from each specialty, the review process is deferred directly to the Chief of Professional Practice and the Chair of the PFEC, to collectively make a recommendation to the relevant Faculty Council for endorsement.

Where the Chief of Professional Practice and the Chair of the PFEC cannot reach an agreement, the College President will have the casting vote on which applicant to recommend as the Fellowship recipient.

NOTIFICATION

Once a successful recipient has been determined, further to endorsement by Faculty Council, the College will formally notify the successful recipient by email. Ordinarily this notification will take place in August of each year.

PRESENTATION AND ANNOUNCEMENT

The Fellowship recipient will be invited to attend the College's Annual Ceremony at the Annual Scientific Meeting, where they will be presented with their award.

Following the Annual Ceremony, the recipient will be added to the College Awards and Honours Roll, which is published on the College website, and The Baker Foundation will be informed of the successful recipient.

Please note awards and grants are subject to change on an annual basis.