



DEPARTMENT OF
OPHTHALMOLOGY



MPhil Scholarship:
Uptake and outcomes of a referral pathway for people with vision impairment and depressive symptoms

The Department of Ophthalmology at the University of Melbourne is offering a postgraduate scholarship for a Master of Philosophy (MPhil). The successful student will work on a funded project investigating the uptake and outcomes of a referral pathway for people with vision impairment and depressive symptoms. This is a longitudinal research project evaluating patients' experiences of psychological services following the identification of depressive symptoms within eye care settings.

This is a fantastic opportunity for a student to work on a project involving both qualitative and quantitative data collection in a multidisciplinary clinical setting. The student will gain experience in working with patients and service providers. The Department is located at the Eye and Ear Hospital, East Melbourne and is affiliated with the Centre for Eye Research Australia.

We are looking for a dedicated and motivated student with a first class Hons degree in psychology, or other health science subject. Further research experience is highly desirable.

This MPhil stipend rate is \$20,427 per annum. The usual duration of the MPhil is 1.5 — 2 years, full time.

Subsequent competitive scholarship applications will be supported and conversion to a PhD may be considered.

For further enquiries please contact Dr Gwyn Rees 9929 8363 or email: grees@unimelb.edu.au.

To apply, please send a cover letter, transcripts and CV outlining your qualifications, research experience and motivation to undertake an MPhil to:

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