



Michael Dent Scholarship

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS FOR STUDY IN 2024

Founded in 1950 by Vivian Bullwinkel and Betty Jeffrey, outstanding nurses and survivors of WWII Prisoner-of-War Camps, the Australian Nurses Memorial Centre (ANMC) was established to honour Australian nurses who served in the various theatres of wars or humanitarian operations. As part of its mission to act as “a living memorial” by advancing the nursing profession through education, the ANMC provides and administers scholarships for nurses and midwives undertaking postgraduate study at an Australian university or other accredited higher education institution.

The **Michael Dent Scholarship** is generously sponsored by Mrs Sandra Dent, a retired nurse, local St Kilda Road resident and supporter of the ANMC. This scholarship is awarded in honour of her late husband, Michael Dent.

Michael John Dent was born in Hull, Yorkshire England in 1948 and brought up in New Zealand. He attended Auckland Grammar School progressing to Auckland University to study law. During that time, he met Sandra who was studying general nursing and midwifery at Greenlane Hospital in Auckland. They completed their professional education, married, then set off to England for four years before settling in Melbourne on St Kilda Road. Michael had a very successful career until December 1998 when he died in an accident aged 50.

Mrs Sandra Dent continued her nursing career in Melbourne, working at the Freemasons Hospital in East Melbourne and Hartwell Private Hospital followed by 13 years as a School Nurse with the Health Department, a career highlight. Since retirement, Sandra has taken a keen interest in all things nursing and is pleased to be in a position to contribute to the ANMC in the form of this scholarship in the hope that someone else experiences the joy and satisfaction of nursing and midwifery.

The Michael Dent Scholarship (\$5,000) will be awarded for postgraduate study in 2024.

Study Subject: Related to patient-centred nursing or midwifery practice in Victoria

Level: Postgraduate – Coursework or Research

Eligibility

- This scholarship provided to support postgraduate study is open to nurses and midwives who are resident and practising in Victoria, and hold current registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA). See Eligibility Criteria

Payment Information

The scholarship will be paid in two instalments (March and July) in the year of study. Research students are required to submit an Academic Progress Report demonstrating satisfactory academic progress in June and November. For recipients studying by course work a certified copy of the university transcript is required in July and December.

Application Details

Applications for the scholarship must be submitted by 31 August 2023 using the form available at the Australian Nurses Memorial Centre website: <https://australiannursesmemorialcentre.org.au/>

Enquiries

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Short-listed applicants should be available for interview in late October 2023.