

ANITA MORAWETZ SCHOLARSHIP FUND

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM 2027

Through the generous support of the Anita Morawetz Scholarship Fund, funding is available to support individuals or groups of individuals who are pursuing or intending to pursue research that will contribute to the clinical practice of family therapy.

These scholarships can be awarded to provide part funding for students enrolling in the Master of Narrative Therapy and Community Work (a specialist University of Melbourne graduate program delivered in partnership with the Dulwich Centre, Adelaide) because within this course all participants complete a practice-research project.

About Anita Morawetz

Anita Morawetz was the daughter of Czech Jewish migrants to Melbourne, who became founding members of Musica Viva. Anita graduated from the University in 1962 worked as a social worker first in Europe, and then in Israel for some years, after which she went to America where she took a postgraduate degree. Her special interest was family therapy, which she continued to practice between her return to Australia in 1981 until her untimely death in 1989.

She was a charming, high-spirited, enterprising, resourceful, fun-loving woman, involved in all sorts of cultural and community activities. She had a warmth and compassion for people from all walks of life. Anita faced her untimely terminal illness with the same courage, spirit and grace with which she had lived her life.

Each year the Morawetz Family provides generous support to education programs in Victoria in memory and celebration of the life of Anita Morawetz.

Eligibility criteria

The objective of the Anita Morawetz Scholarship is to provide an opportunity for professionals to improve their clinical and practice-research skills. The scholarships are open for award to students who are pursuing or intending to pursue research or practice-research which, in the committee's opinion, will contribute to the clinical practice of family therapy in Australia. The Anita Morawetz Scholarship Committee will select scholarship recipients using the following criteria:

- Degree of demonstrated commitment to the clinical practice of family therapy (meaning demonstrated commitment to work with families, groups and/or communities).
- Capacity of proposed practice-research to contribute to clinical practice in Australia in terms of originality, creativity, and/or scope.
- Relevance of proposed practice-research to contribute to clinical practice with families, groups, and communities most in need.

The selection committee will also keep in mind that during her career, Anita Morawetz demonstrated:

- a commitment to responding to current social issues facing families.
- critical reflection
- academic rigor
- determination to carry forth the family therapy commitment of seeing people in context and not working with individuals in isolation of their wider relationships the value of international linkages and learning.

The process of applying

All applicants for the Anita Morawetz Scholarship must complete the Scholarship Application Form.

Applications are welcomed from current or prospective students at the University of Melbourne. All students must be enrolled at the University of Melbourne to receive payment of the scholarship.

The closing date for scholarship applications is 30 November 2026.

All applications will be assessed by the Anita Morawetz Scholarship Committee. Notification of application results will be sent out in December 2026.

Those intending to undertake the Master of Narrative Therapy and Community Work *and* apply for an Anita Morawetz Scholarship must complete **BOTH** a Course Application Form and a Scholarship Application Form and submit them along with any supporting information by the closing date for the scholarship applications. These applicants must meet all the entry requirements for the course:

- an undergraduate degree in a cognate discipline or equivalent; and
- evidence of at least two years of full-time, documented work experience
OR
- evidence of at least eight years of full-time documented, relevant work experience;
AND
- evidence of completion of prior narrative therapy studies at Dulwich Centre or equivalent; and
- statement of up to 500 words by the Applicant; and
- a professional referee report.

English language requirements can be found here: <https://study.unimelb.edu.au/how-to-apply/english-language-requirements/graduate-english-language-requirements>

Please note that scholarship applications will close before general course applications.

Please ensure that all supporting documentation is uploaded so that the Selection Committee has all the information it needs to fully evaluate the scholarship applications.

Value of the scholarship

The value of each scholarship will be determined by the Anita Morawetz Scholarship Committee. For applicants who are undertaking the Master of Narrative Therapy and Community Work the scholarship will generally be up to the value of \$7,500. This scholarship can be awarded in conjunction with other University of Melbourne scholarships.

It is a requirement of the scholarship that each recipient, or group of recipients, must submit to the committee on a date to be agreed by the committee, a written report detailing the research which has been undertaken. Each report must be of a standard and in a form suitable for publication in a journal or book approved by the committee.

Important Dates

Scholarship applications open	1 August 2026
Scholarship applications close	30 November 2026
Notification of outcomes of Scholarship applications	December 2026

Applicant Details

Your name	
Your employer (if applicable)	
Contact details	
Phone (business):	
Email:	
Country of Residence	

Information to support application

1. Please briefly describe your current role and responsibility and/or your research undertaken to date (up to 200 words).

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2. How have you demonstrated a commitment to working with families, groups and/or communities? (up to 200 words).

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3. Please describe the practice-research project you would undertake if you were awarded a scholarship and why this project is important to you.
(maximum 500 words)

4. How might this project contribute to clinical practice in Australia and globally? (up to 200 words)

5. How might your proposed project contribute to clinical practice with families, groups and communities most in need?

6. What will this scholarship make possible for you and your work?

Referee

Please provide the contact details of a referee who can be contacted by the Selection Committee if required. This referee should have known the applicant in a research capacity and/or a professional capacity for a minimum of two years.

Referee's name and position	
Referee's daytime phone number	
Your professional relationship with the referee	