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MELBOURNE HIGH SCHOOL OLD BOYS' ASSOCIATION

## JOHN LY (NGUYEN) TRUST SCHOLARSHIP

### BACKGROUND

The John Ly (Nguyen) Trust Scholarship is awarded annually to a current Year 12 student at Melbourne High School, studying science-based subjects.

### JOHN NGUYEN

John Ly (Nguyen) attended Melbourne High School from 1999 to 2002 and graduated on the Honours Roll Board achieving an ATAR of 99.50. He was then awarded a scholarship to study Bachelor of Pharmacy and Commerce at Monash University.

He was the first to finish school in his family and obtain a tertiary degree, coming from a refugee family. In 2006, John was awarded the Monash University Gold Medallion for Outstanding Community Spirit Award for his commitment and contribution to improving the life of pharmacy students on campus and overseas. He was also selected as a Student Ambassador for Monash University during his time as a university student.

As a dedicated member of the global pharmacy community, John has actively played a role in providing opportunities for pharmacy students. This is exemplified through John's extensive involvement as President and awarded Honorary Life Member of the Victorian Pharmacy Students' Association (VPSA) in 2005; National Councillor and Chairperson of the National Australian Pharmacy Students' Association (NAPSA) in 2006; and Chair of the NAPSA National Congress hosted in Melbourne in 2007 hosting over 500 pharmacy students across Australia.

The International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation (IPSF) was founded in 1949 and is the leading international advocacy organisation for pharmacy students representing over 500,000 students and young pharmacists in over 92 countries.

John was elected as the Secretary General at Tokyo congress in 2005, and Chairperson of IPSF's Asia Pacific Office in Indonesia congress in 2006 and was also the second Australian in history to be elected as the International President of the IPSF at the World Congress in Romania 2008. The headquarters of IPSF is based in The Hague, The Netherlands. In 2010 at the Slovenia World Congress, John was awarded the prestigious Honorary Life Membership to IPSF for his volunteer services.

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In 2011 the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia formally recognised his contribution and leadership in the pharmacy student movement in both Australia and overseas, naming him Young Pharmacist of the Year in Victoria. John is a passionate community pharmacist, businessman and philanthropist, committed to the continuous improvement in health sciences locally and internationally.

In 2017, John was elected internationally as Chairman of the Young Pharmacists Group of the International Pharmaceutical Federation ([www.fip.org](http://www.fip.org)) which represents over 4 million pharmacists in over 100 countries. During this time he also implemented a Leadership Development program for young pharmacists around the world, which is held annually around different cities of the world such as Scotland, Abu Dhabi, Spain and Australia. Also abroad, he donates and visits Temple Linh Son orphanage in Saigon Vietnam to help infants and young children in need with medical, food and recreational supplies.

John has had a passion for helping develop the potential of others- this began with the development of Leaders In Training (LIT) program that he founded since 2007 starting at the Leaders In Training Congress in Indonesia- and has since spread to all 5 continents of the world training over 1000's of pharmacy students. Since then he has also founded and Chaired the Leadership Development Workshop (LDW) for the International Pharmaceutical Federation ([www.fip.org](http://www.fip.org)) which is held worldwide since 2018. He has awarded scholarships to attendees from developing countries to attend the leadership program.

Locally, John is currently the owner of Imes Pharmacy in South Melbourne since 2015- where he donates to help vulnerable members of the community around Port Philip council who cannot afford their medical supplies. His pharmacy is also an award-winning pharmacy for health services provided in the area.

He is proud to be an Old Boy and hopes to give back to other students who are in need and have hope in moving forward together as Old Boys in society, as coming from housing commission and a low-income family, he understands financial hardship during his time as a student.

### THE SCHOLARSHIP

The John Nguyen Trust Scholarship will consist of a payment of \$1,000 and will be accompanied by a framed certificate with citation.

One scholarship will be awarded each year.

The scholarship will be awarded following receipt of written applications and interviews of shortlisted applicants.

Previous recipients are not eligible to apply in subsequent years.

### CRITERIA

Applicants should:

- (a) be current Melbourne High School Year 12 students;
- (b) be enrolled in science-based subjects;
- (c) have excellent academic results;
- (d) demonstrate how the scholarship would assist in diminishing financial hardship; and
- (e) aspire to a career in a science-based field.

Consideration will also be given to applicants who can demonstrate their involvement in the broader aspects of Melbourne High School life.

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### APPLICATION

Applications should be submitted via the supplied apply here button on our website.

A personal statement in support of the application (not exceeding 500 words) should also be submitted.

Applicants are specifically requested to outline their current career aspirations in the fields of medicine or health-sciences, as well as their interests in the field of teaching and health promotion throughout the community.



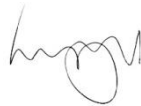
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