



The R. N. Hammon Scholarships

(Established in 1987 and maintained by gifts from Mr Robert Noel Hammon.)

1. Purpose

The purpose of the scholarship is to assist Australian indigenous students to undertake post-secondary study in Queensland.

2. Definitions

In these rules -

Deputy President means the Deputy President of the Academic Board.

eligible student means a student who satisfies the selection committee that the student is of Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent, who regards himself or herself as an Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander and who is so considered by the community in which the student lives or has lived.

minimum completion time means the minimum period of time it would take a student to complete the remainder of the program in which the recipient is enrolled when the recipient is awarded the scholarship.

participating institution means one of the following –

- (a) The University of Queensland;
- (b) Queensland University of Technology;
- (c) University of Southern Queensland;
- (d) Central Queensland University;
- (e) Queensland Colleges of Technical and Further Education;
- (f) a company which is owned by one of the institutions referred to in (a) – (e) above.

preferred field means one of the following fields of study –

- (a) science;
- (b) engineering;
- (c) medicine;
- (d) dentistry;
- (e) architecture;
- (f) agriculture;
- (g) veterinary science.

relevant program means any program offered by one of the participating institutions referred to in (a) – (f) above.

scholarship means the RN Hammon Scholarship.

3. Award and value of scholarship

- (1) The Senate may award a number of scholarships each year, on the recommendation of the Deputy President, in consultation with the selection committee established under rule 5(1).
- (2) The scholarships will be awarded and administered in accordance with the scholarship guidelines.
- (3) The value of each scholarship will be determined each year by the Deputy President, in consultation with the selection committee established under rule 5(1).

4. Eligibility for award

An applicant is eligible for the award of a scholarship, if the applicant –

- (a) submits an application for the scholarship by the closing date for applications; and
- (b) has successfully completed at least one year of a program at a participating institution; and
- (c) is enrolling on a full-time basis for a subsequent year of that program or a further program at that or another participating institution.

5. Selection of award

- (1) For the selection process, the Deputy President must establish a selection committee, comprising-
 - (a) the Deputy President, as chair of the committee; and
 - (b) one representative from The University of Queensland; and
 - (c) one representative from each participating institution for which there is an eligible student in the year; and
 - (d) the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community of The University of Queensland.
- (2) In making its recommendation, the selection committee will take into account -
 - (a) academic achievement in courses undertaken in a relevant program; and
 - (b) any other scholarship, bursary, award or benefit, whether governmental or otherwise, to which the applicant is entitled; and
 - (c) any other matter that the selection committee considers to be relevant to the applicant's future success.
- (3) Social and economic need may be a further criterion.
- (4) In a year where there are eligible applicants studying in a preferred field, preference will be given to those eligible applicants.

6. Conditions for scholarship

- (1) The recipient may hold the scholarship for the minimum completion time of the program for which the recipient enrolls when first awarded the scholarship.
- (2) Each scholarship is subject to annual review.