Geoffrey Huey Sattler Indigenous Scholarship

(Established in 2019 by Estate of Geoffrey Huey Sattler under the Create Change Scholarship Match Initiative and maintained by income generated from the endowment fund)

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage and support Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students who experience financial hardship to undertake studies at The University of Queensland.

2. Definitions

In these rules –

Approved Program means any bachelor or associate degree program at The University of Queensland.

Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person means a person who can provide compelling evidence of their Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status. Confirmation of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status under the common seal of a community organisation may be provided. Where exceptional circumstances apply, statutory declarations and other forms of documentation may be considered. Original or certified copies of supporting documentation must be provided.

Minimum Completion Time means the minimum period of time it would take to complete the Approved Program based on enrolment in 8 units per semester in semester 1 and semester 2 each year or 16 units per calendar year. Students awarded the Scholarship part way through a program will hold the Scholarship for the minimum duration for completion of their current program, less the time already enrolled.

PVC(IE) means Pro Vice Chancellor (Indigenous Engagement).

Satisfactory Academic Process means meeting the requirements to remain enrolled under the University’s Academic Progression Procedure.

Scholarship means the Geoffrey Huey Sattler Indigenous Scholarship.

3. Award and value of the Scholarship

(1) The number of Scholarships awarded in a calendar year, and the value of each Scholarship will be determined by the PVC(IE) at the commencement of each year of award.

(2) There will be an application round in semester 1 and semester 2 each year.

(3) The combined value of the Scholarships awarded in a year shall not exceed the amount available for distribution from the endowment fund.

4. Eligibility for award

(1) An applicant is eligible for the award of a Scholarship, if the applicant—

(a) can demonstrate financial need;

(b) submits an application to the PVC(IE) by the closing date for applications;

(c) is an Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person; and

(d) is enrolled full-time in an Approved Program in the semester of the award.

(2) Associate degree recipients awarded a Scholarship are able to submit a new application upon commencement of a bachelor degree

5. Selection of award

(1) For the selection process, the PVC(IE) must establish a selection committee, comprising –

(a) the PVC(IE), or nominee, as chair of the committee; and

(b) at least two further members drawn from either professional or academic staff, as nominated by the chair.

(2) The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of the following criteria -

(a) demonstrated financial need;

(b) personal qualities, including leadership potential;

(c) academic ability; and

(d) any other matter which may be deemed relevant to the applicant’s future academic success

(3) The selection committee may interview shortlisted candidates.

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, subject to the recipient:

(a) maintaining full time enrolment in an Approved Program;

(b) maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress in each semester or trimester that the Scholarship is held; and

(c) providing a statement on financial need each calendar year, including the supply of supporting documentation where applicable.

(2) If the recipient fails to satisfy rule 6(1) the recipient must show cause to the PVC(IE) why the Scholarship should not be cancelled.

(3) The recipient may apply to the PVC(IE) to interrupt the Scholarship for a maximum duration of 12 months.

7. Termination of Scholarship

The University may terminate the Scholarship -

(a) if the recipient does not show cause to the reasonable satisfaction of the University as provided for in rule 6(2);

(b) if the recipient is no longer considered in financial need following the review of the annual financial need statement referred to in rule 6(1)(c);

(c) if the recipient defers or interrupts their study without approval;

(d) once Minimum Completion Time has lapsed; or

(e) if the recipient commits serious misconduct.