Gough Family Scholarship for Medical Education

(Established in 2019 by Professor Ian Gough AM and Dr Ruth Gough under the Create Change Scholarship Match Initiative and maintained by income generated from the endowment fund. Both Professor Gough and Dr Gough are UQ Medical Program graduates, and their daughters, Jenny and Helen, are also UQ graduates. Professor Ian Gough is a former Royal Australasian College of Surgeons President and was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia for his significant service to medicine as a clinician, to education as an academic, researcher and author, and through medical advisory roles. Dr Ruth Gough is a former psychiatrist who taught and mentored many UQ graduates.)

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Scholarship is to support domestic UQ medical students who are in financial need.

2. Definitions

In these rules-
Dean means the Medical Dean, Faculty of Medicine.
Satisfactory Academic Progress means meeting the requirements to remain enrolled in accordance with the University’s Academic Progression Procedure and the Doctor of Medicine Program Rules.
Scholarship means the Gough Family Scholarship for Medical Education.

3. Award and value of scholarship

(1) One Scholarship may be awarded each year.
(2) The annual value of the Scholarship will be at least $4,500, but will be limited to the annual income from the endowment.

4. Eligibility for award

An applicant is eligible for the Scholarship, if the applicant –
(a) can demonstrate financial need;
(b) submits an application to the Dean, by the closing date for applications;
(c) is a domestic student in accordance with the University’s Student Fees Policy;
(d) is enrolled full-time in the Doctor of Medicine at The University of Queensland; and
(e) does not hold a scholarship that the Dean considers to be similar.

5. Selection of award

(1) For the selection process, the Dean must establish a selection committee, comprising –
(a) the Dean, or nominee, as chair of the committee; and
(b) at least one further member drawn from either professional or academic staff of the Faculty of Medicine.
(2) The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of the following criteria –
(a) evidence of financial need;
(b) academic achievement in courses undertaken to date in the Doctor of Medicine; and
(c) any other matter that the selection committee considers to be relevant to the applicant’s future success in the medical profession.

6. Conditions for scholarship

(1) The recipient may hold the Scholarship for up to one year, subject to the recipient –
(a) continuing to be enrolled full-time in the Doctor of Medicine; and
(b) maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress in each semester that the Scholarship is held.
(2) If a recipient fails to satisfy rule 6(1), the recipient must show cause to the Dean why the Scholarship should not be cancelled.
(3) The Scholarship may not be deferred.

7. Termination of scholarship

The University may terminate a Scholarship -
(a) if the recipient does not show cause to the reasonable satisfaction of the University as provided for in rule 6(2);
(b) once the maximum duration of the Scholarship has lapsed; or
(c) if the recipient commits serious misconduct.