UQ ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. Deferral of an Academic Scholarship

1.1. An Academic Scholarship recipient may apply to have their scholarship deferred for up to one year only if approval to defer their tertiary place has been granted.

1.2. Scholarship recipients who do not take up their university place in the year following an approved deferment of study shall have their scholarship offer withdrawn.

1.3. Students who undertake study at another university after completing Year 12 but before commencing their studies at UQ are ineligible for a UQ Academic Scholarship and shall have their scholarship offer withdrawn.

2. Named scholarships

2.1. Most academic scholarships are transferrable between UQ programs. However, a small number are provided by UQ faculties, donors or industry groups for specific programs. Recipients who are awarded a named Academic Scholarship or one based on a nominated program or programs of study, will normally need to maintain continued enrolment in that program for the term of the scholarship, unless otherwise approved by that faculty’s Executive Dean.

2.2. Named scholarships include the UQ Excellence (Colonel D E Evans Memorial) Scholarship, the UQ Excellence (A J Deakin Memorial) Scholarship and the Boeing Merit Scholarships.

3. Verification of application information

3.1. The University will verify the information provided in the scholarship application before the commencement of the recipient’s first semester of enrolment.

3.2. Any outstanding documentation must be provided within two weeks of commencement.

3.3. Failure to provide outstanding documentation may lead to termination of the scholarship.

4. Enrolment changes

4.1. Any planned changes to enrolment (e.g. interruption of or withdrawal from studies, change of study load, program change etc.) must be notified to Scholarships Office immediately, prior to making any such changes.

5. Ongoing eligibility requirements

The scholarship is subject to the recipient remaining enrolled in a full-time study load in an approved program at UQ AND maintaining satisfactory academic progress as set out in the scholarship rules:

5.1. Full-time study requirements

5.1.1. To remain eligible for continuing payments, scholarship recipients must remain enrolled in a full-time study load of at least 6 units in semester 1 and 6 units in semester 2. A student enrolling in less than a full-time study load is not eligible for a UQ Academic Scholarship.

5.1.2. The University will consider exceptional circumstances such as disability or serious medical condition, significant carer responsibilities and the unique circumstances of Indigenous Australian students in determining inability to study full-time.
5.1.3. A student whose course load falls below 6 units in a semester, will have their eligibility status reviewed and will be required to show cause why their scholarship should not be terminated. Such students will be ineligible to retain their Academic Scholarship unless they provide evidence that there are exceptional circumstances that prevent them studying on a full-time basis.

5.1.4. Students who undertake a component of their studies while on overseas student exchange (UQ Abroad), or with another university through an approved cross-institutional arrangement, will continue to receive the scholarship if this study will count towards the requirements of the program in which the student is enrolled.

5.2. Academic progress
5.2.1. The University requires students holding an Academic Scholarship to achieve satisfactory academic progress, as set out in the scholarship rules.
5.2.2. The University will confirm a student’s ongoing eligibility for an Academic Scholarship on a twice-yearly basis prior to payment in semester 1 and semester 2.

6. Suspension of an Academic Scholarship
6.1. Once the scholarship has commenced, approval to suspend an Academic Scholarship will only be granted in exceptional circumstances and only for a maximum period of one year. Such circumstances must be explained in full to the satisfaction of The University of Queensland and must be supported by evidentiary documentation e.g. letter from health practitioner etc.

7. Termination of an Academic Scholarship

The University may terminate an Academic Scholarship for any of the following reasons:
7.1. where the recipient commits serious misconduct including, but not limited to, the provision of false or misleading information in their Academic Scholarship application; or
7.2. the recipient undertakes university studies at another institution after completing year 12 but before commencing at UQ; or
7.3. the recipient ceases to meet the ongoing eligibility requirements specified in scholarship rules, other than during a period in which the scholarship has been suspended; or
7.4. if a recipient of a named scholarship transfers to another program not eligible for the scholarship; or
7.5. once the full value of the scholarship has been paid; or
7.6. the recipient does not resume study at the conclusion of an approved period of suspension or approved deferral period.

Academic scholarship recipients who fail to meet the full time enrolment and academic progress requirements set out in the rules will be required to show cause why their scholarship should not be terminated. Such students will be ineligible to retain their Academic Scholarship unless they provide evidence that exceptional circumstances have impacted on their studies.

Appeals regarding the termination of an Academic Scholarship as a result of a show cause submission will be heard by the University’s Senate Student Appeals Committee.

8. Release of Personal Details

The acceptance of a UQ Academic Scholarship means that recipients agree to have their name, contact and scholarship details released to university faculties and divisions, UQ residential colleges, industry partners and their Year 12 high school for the purposes of the scholarship.