

THE UQ EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

(The scholarship was established in 2008 and is maintained by funds from The University of Queensland and donors.)

1 Purpose

The purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage and support outstanding students who aspire to study at The University of Queensland.

2 Definitions

In these rules -

Approved Program means any Bachelor program at UQ, or a related dual/integrated program.

DVC(A) means the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic).

Scholarship means the UQ Excellence Scholarship.

3 Award and value of scholarship

- (1) A number of Scholarships will be awarded in a year, on the recommendation of the DVC(A).
- (2) The value of the Scholarship is \$6,000 for each year for which it is held (excluding any periods for which the Scholarship is deferred or suspended).

4 Eligibility for award

An applicant is eligible for the Scholarship, if the applicant -

- (a) submits an application by the closing date for applications; and
- (b) is either an -
 - (i) Australian citizen or Australian Permanent Humanitarian Visa Holder; or
 - (ii) Australian Permanent Resident, New Zealand Citizen, or international student who is completing or has completed Years 11 and 12 in Australia; and
- (c)
 - (i) will complete year 12 in the year of application; or
 - (ii) has completed year 12 in the year preceding the year of application; and
- (d) achieves an OP1 or equivalent; and
- (e) intends to enrol full-time in an Approved Program in the following year, or after an approved deferment of one year.
- (f) has not undertaken any previous tertiary study at Bachelor level or higher, other than studies in special university programs designed for secondary school students.

5 Selection of award

- (1) For the selection process, the DVC(A) must establish a selection committee, comprising -
 - (a) the DVC(A), or nominee, as chair of the committee; and
 - (b) the Associate Dean (Academic) from each faculty, or their respective nominees; and
 - (c) the Academic Registrar; or nominee; and
 - (d) any other representatives as may be determined from time to time by the chair.
- (2) The Scholarship is awarded to applicants showing greatest merit as demonstrated by -
 - (a) outstanding academic achievements as determined by the Selection Panel; or
 - (b) a combination of outstanding academic excellence and significant leadership and/or community service achievements.

6 Conditions for scholarship

- (1) The recipient may hold the Scholarship for up to 4 years, subject to the recipient -
 - (a) in the year following the year of the award, or after an approved deferment of one year, commencing study in an Approved Program; and
 - (b) continuing to be enrolled full-time in either an Approved Program or a subsequent related postgraduate coursework program; and
 - (c) maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress.
- (2) In this rule -

Satisfactory Academic Progress means -

 - (a) for a recipient who is enrolled in the first year of study -
 - (i) passing all courses in which they are enrolled; and
 - (ii) obtaining a GPA of at least 5 in that year; and
 - (b) for a recipient who is enrolled in a subsequent year of study -
 - (i) passing all courses in which they are enrolled; and

- (ii) obtaining a GPA of at least 5.5 in each semester.
- (3) If a recipient fails to satisfy rule 6(1) or (2), the recipient must show cause why the Scholarship should not be cancelled.

7 Deferral and suspension of scholarship

A recipient may be eligible to defer or suspend their Scholarship in accordance with the Scholarship terms and conditions.

8 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); or
- (b) if the recipient defers or interrupts their study; or
- (c) if the student commits serious misconduct.