



UQ Excellence Scholarship

(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 attract and retain 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).

Satisfactory Academic Progress means passing all courses in which they are enrolled, and –

- (a) for a recipient who is enrolled in the first year of study, obtaining a GPA of at least 5 in that year; and
- (b) for a recipient who is enrolled in a subsequent year of study, obtaining a GPA of at least 5.5 in each semester.

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;
- (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;
- (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;
- (d) achieves a minimum Australian Tertiary Admission Rank of 99.00 (or equivalent);
- (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; and
- (g) has UQ listed as their 1st QTAC preference as at 19 December at 1:00pm.

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;
- (b) the Associate Dean (Academic) from each faculty, or their respective nominees;
- (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;

- (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) If a recipient fails to satisfy rule 6(1), the recipient must show cause why the Scholarship should not be cancelled.

(3) Recipients may apply to the DVC(A) to interrupt or defer their Scholarship for up to 1 year in exceptional circumstances only.

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) if the recipient defers or interrupts their study without approval; or
- (c) if the student commits misconduct.