



HUB24 Regional QLD Computer Science and Information Technology Scholarship

(Established in 2015 and maintained by an annual gift from HUB24, previously Agility Applications)

1 Purpose

The purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage and support first or second year students from a Regional Area, who may have experienced financial hardship, to pursue studies in Computer Science or Information Technology at The University of Queensland.

2 Definitions

In these Rules

Approved Program means the Bachelor of Computer Science or the Bachelor of Information Technology or a dual program including any one of these programs.

Head means the Head of School, School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science.

Regional Area means an area deemed regional by the Head outside of Queensland, or all of Queensland except those areas encompassed by the following local government areas -

- (a) Brisbane City Council
- (b) Gold Coast City
- (c) Ipswich City
- (d) Logan City
- (e) Moreton Bay Regional
- (f) Redland City

Relevant Field means any major within the Approved Program

Scholarship means the HUB24 Regional QLD Computer Science and Information Technology Scholarship

3 Award and Value of Scholarship

- (1) The value of the Scholarship is \$8,000 for one year.
- (2) The School may offer 1 Scholarship each year on the recommendation of the Head.

4 Additional Benefits

- (1) HUB24 may offer the recipient the following opportunities:-
 - (a) an ambassadorial role to attend select networking functions;
 - (b) work or vacation experience at any HUB24 site during the period in which the recipient holds the Scholarship, determined by HUB24 in consultation with the recipient; and
 - (c) mentoring and networking opportunities with HUB24 staff members, determined by HUB24 in consultation with the recipient.

5 Eligibility for Award

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

- (a) submits an application for the scholarship to the Head, by the closing date for applications; and
- (b) is a domestic student in accordance with The University's Fee Policy; and
- (c)
 - (i) if a first year student, in the two years immediately prior to the award, the applicant completed Year 12 at a high school in a regional area or completed Year 12 as a boarder whilst having a permanent address in a regional area; or
 - (ii) if a second year student, in the three years immediately prior to the award, the applicant completed Year 12 at a high school in a regional area or completed Year 12 as a boarder whilst having a permanent address in a regional area; and
- (d) has not completed the requirements of a tertiary program at a Bachelor level or above; and
- (e) is enrolled in an Approved Program in the 1st or 2nd year and, where applicable, in the Relevant Field in the year of the award; and
- (f) can provide evidence of financial hardship; and
- (g) does not hold a Scholarship that the Associate Dean deems similar.

6 Selection of Award

- (1) For the selection process, the Head must establish a selection committee, comprising –
 - (a) the Head or nominee, as chair of the committee; and
 - (b) at least one member of the University's academic staff who is currently teaching in one of the relevant programs; and
 - (c) at least one member of HUB24 executive, or nominee, providing that UQ staff are in the majority

- (2) The Scholarship is awarded to the applicant showing the greatest merit as demonstrated by –
 - (a) an interest in studying computer science or information technology, as evidenced by a cover letter, short answer responses within the application, and a resume; and
 - (b) personal qualities, including leadership skills and extra-curricular activities; and
 - (c) academic achievement in secondary school and/or university studies, appropriate to the applicant's enrolment status; and
 - (d) any other matter that the selection committee considers to be relevant to the applicant's future success in a relevant profession.
- (3) Preference shall be given to applicants who completed Year 12 at a high school in a Queensland Regional Area.

7 Conditions for Scholarship

- (1) A recipient may hold the Scholarship for one year, subject to the recipient -
 - (a) continuing to be enrolled full-time in an Approved Program and where applicable, in the Relevant Field; and
 - (b) passing all courses in which they are enrolled; and
 - (c) not holding another scholarship that the Head considers to be similar.
- (2) If a recipient fails to satisfy rule 7(1), the student must show cause to the Head why the Scholarship should not be cancelled

8 Termination of scholarship

- (1) 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 7(2); or
 - (b) if the recipient defers or interrupts their study without approval; or
 - (c) if the recipient commits misconduct.