



Joanne Tompkins and Alan Lawson Scholarship

(Established in 2020 under the Create Change Scholarship Match Initiative and maintained by the Joanne Tompkins and Alan Lawson Scholarship Endowment.)

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage and support undergraduate students undertaking studies in the humanities at The University of Queensland who are experiencing financial hardship.

2. Definitions

In these rules-

Approved Program means any undergraduate program administered by the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, or a dual program that includes any undergraduate program administered by the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences and any subsequent related honours program in a Relevant Field at The University of Queensland.

Associate Dean means the Associate Dean (Academic) of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

Minimum Completion Time means the minimum period of time it would take to complete the Approved Program based on enrolment in 8 units per semester in semester 1 and semester 2 each year or 16 units per calendar year. Students awarded the Scholarship part way through a program will hold the Scholarship for the minimum duration for completion of their current program, less the time already enrolled. Where a recipient undertakes a subsequent related honours program in a Relevant Field, it must be commenced in the semester immediately following completion of their Bachelor's program.

Relevant Field means a major, extended major or field of study offered through the School of Music, School of Languages and Cultures, School of Communication and Arts or School of Historical and Philosophical Inquiry, or the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit.

Satisfactory Academic Progress means meeting the requirements to remain enrolled in accordance with the University's Academic Progression Procedure.

Scholarship means the Joanne Tompkins and Alan Lawson Scholarship.

3. Award and value of scholarship

- (1) One Scholarship may be awarded as tenure becomes vacant on recommendation of the Associate Dean.
- (2) The value of the Scholarship will be at least \$4,500 for each year that it is held, but will be limited to the annual income from the fund.

4. Eligibility for award

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

- (a) submits an application to the Associate Dean by the closing date;
- (b) is enrolled in an Approved Program and where applicable, in the Relevant Field; and
- (c) can demonstrate financial need.

5. Selection of award

- (1) For the selection process, the Associate Dean must establish a selection committee, comprising -
 - (a) the Associate Dean, or nominee, as Chair of the committee;
 - (b) an academic representative from either the School of Music, School of Languages and Cultures, School of Communication and Arts, School of Historical and Philosophical Inquiry, or the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit; and
 - (c) an academic representative from one of the four areas not represented in 5(1)(b).
- (2) The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of the following criteria (in order of importance) -
 - (a) demonstrated financial need;
 - (b) a commitment to the humanities, as demonstrated by academic work (which may include research projects) or extracurricular activities;
 - (c) academic capability and future academic potential, as demonstrated by previous academic results and awards; and
 - (d) any other evidence which may be deemed relevant to the applicant's future success in their field of study.
- (3) The selection committee may decide to interview short-listed applicants.

6. Conditions for scholarship

- (1) The recipient may hold the Scholarship for the Minimum Completion Time of the Approved Program subject to the recipient -
 - (a) continuing to be enrolled full-time in any Approved Program and where applicable, in the Relevant Field;
 - (b) maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress in each semester that the Scholarship is held;
 - (c) where applicable, demonstrating evidence of progression towards completion of the Relevant Field on an annual basis; and
 - (d) not holding another scholarship that the Associate Dean considers to be similar.
- (2) If a recipient fails to satisfy rule 6(1) the recipient must show cause to the Associate Dean why the Scholarship should not be cancelled.
- (3) The recipient may apply to interrupt the Scholarship for a maximum duration of 12 months and only in exceptional circumstances as approved by the Associate Dean.

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); or
- (b) if the recipient commits serious misconduct.