



Laurie Hergenhan Scholarship in Australian Literary Studies

(Established in 2019 under the Create Change Scholarship Match Initiative and maintained by the Laurie Hergenhan Scholarship Endowment fund.)

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Scholarship is to honour Emeritus Professor Laurie Hergenhan's legacy by encouraging and supporting undergraduate students who wish to undertake studies in English Literature at The University of Queensland and who are experiencing financial hardship.

2. Definitions

In these rules-

Approved Program means any undergraduate 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 in English Literature.

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

Scholarship means the Laurie Hergenhan Scholarship in Australian Literary Studies.

3. Award and value of scholarship

(1) One Scholarship may be awarded as tenure becomes available 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 in the Relevant Field;
- (c) will be a domestic student in accordance with the University's Student Fees Policy; and
- (d) can demonstrate financial hardship.

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 the School of Communication and Arts whose research foci include Australian Literature; and
- (c) the Manager of the Fryer Library, or nominee.

(2) The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of the following criteria -

- (a) demonstrated financial need;
- (b) demonstrated commitment to Australian Literature, either through extracurricular or academic work; and
- (c) 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 an Approved Program 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.