



Lisbeth Hopkins OAM Scholarship

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1. Purpose

The purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage and support postgraduate coursework students undertaking studies at the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences at The University of Queensland who are experiencing financial hardship.

2. Definitions

In these rules-

Approved Program means any Masters or Graduate Diploma program of at least 16 units, administered by the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

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 enrolls on a part time basis, the Scholarship will be paid for the period of enrolment that falls within the Minimum Completion Time.

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

Scholarship means the Lisbeth Hopkins OAM 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
- (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) two academic representatives from different Schools within the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.
- (2) The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of the following criteria (in order of importance) -
 - (a) demonstrated financial need; and
 - (b) a commitment to volunteerism and leadership in support of community groups, as demonstrated through extracurricular activities and a brief statement.
- (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 in any Approved Program;
 - (b) maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress in each semester that the Scholarship is held; and
 - (c) 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);
- (b) if the recipient interrupts their study without approval; or
- (c) if the recipient commits serious misconduct.