



UQ Economics Undergraduate Indigenous Scholarship

1. Definitions

In these rules –

scholarship means the UQ Economics Undergraduate Indigenous Scholarship

BEcon means the Bachelor of Economics at the University of Queensland

UQ means The University of Queensland

2. Purpose

The purpose of the scholarship is to provide assistance to students of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander background who have a keen interest in economics and a demonstrated need for financial support.

3. Value and duration of the Scholarship

- (1) The value of the scholarship will be up to 100% tuition fee waiver.
- (2) The scholarship will cover tuition fees for courses at UQ.
- (3) The scholarship will cover the courses required for the BEcon (up to a maximum of 48 units).
- (4) For successful scholarship candidates seeking to undertake the BEcon as part of a dual program, the scholarship will cover the courses required for the BEcon component.

4. Eligibility for Scholarship

An applicant is eligible for the award of a scholarship if the applicant:

- a) is a person of Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent, who identifies as an Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander, and who is accepted as such by the community in which the student lives or has lived. Applicants are required to provide evidence of their Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status. This would usually take the form of confirmation of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status under the common seal of a community organisation. Where exceptional circumstances apply, statutory declarations and other forms of documentation may be considered. Original or certified copies of supporting documentation must be provided;
- b) will be a domestic student in accordance with the University's Fee Policy.
- c) has or intends to enrol as a commencing student at The University of Queensland in the BEcon program, or dual program, in the year of the award;
- d) has not completed any prior tertiary study at bachelor level or above; and
- e) has submitted their complete application by the closing date.

5. Award of scholarships

The scholarship shall be awarded taking into account the following criteria:

- Demonstrated financial need
- Demonstrated interest in economics
- Academic ability
- personal qualities, including leadership potential; and any other matter that the selection committee considers relevant to the applicant's future success in their field of study.
- Applicants may be required to attend an interview

Previous study of economics at school or college is not required for enrolment in the BEcon, nor for the scholarship.

6. Scholarship conditions

- (1) The recipient may hold the scholarship subject to the recipient:
 - (a) continuing to be enrolled in a minimum of 4 units per semester in the BEcon program; and
 - (b) does not hold another scholarship that the Head of School deems similar; and
 - (c) achieving a GPA of at least 4.0 in each semester that the Scholarship is held.
- (2) If the recipient fails to satisfy Rule 6 (1), the recipient must show cause why the scholarship should not be cancelled.

7. Interruption of Scholarship

In exceptional circumstances only, scholarship recipients may apply in writing to Head of School to interrupt their scholarship for a maximum of one year, where there are exceptional circumstances which prevent the student from enrolling or enrolling in a minimum of 4 units per semester.

8. Termination of Scholarships

The University will terminate a UQ Scholarship:

- a) if the recipient does not comply with the scholarship conditions in the section [Scholarship conditions](#); or
- b) if the recipient does not resume study at the conclusion of an approved period of suspension; or
- c) once maximum duration of the scholarship has lapsed; or
- d) if the student commits serious misconduct.

9. Application procedure

Before submitting your application online by the closing date, please make sure you include and complete the following:

- (1) The UQ School of Economics online scholarship application form
- (2) Evidence of academic ability such as years' 11 and 12 academic records
- (3) Confirmation of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status
- (4) Supporting financial documentation such as current Health Care Card, bank statement or recent income tax assessment