



## 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 as a full-time student 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 full-time.

## **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

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