



Master of Business Analytics – Rural and Remote Scholarship

1. Purpose

The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage and support professionals to improve access to and completion of postgraduate study and upskill in exploring data to predict and improve business performance in a rapidly evolving environment.

2. Definitions

In these rules –

Approved Program means the Master of Business Analytics program.

Director of Teaching and Learning means the Director of Teaching and Learning for Business School.

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

Scholarship means the Master of Business Analytics – Rural and Remote Scholarship

3. Award and Value of Scholarship

- (1) One Scholarship may be awarded to students commencing the program, on recommendation from the Director of Teaching and Learning;
- (2) The value of the Scholarship will be \$5000 and will be payable as one-off Scholarship towards the cost of tuition fees for the Master of Business Analytics program.

4. Eligibility for Award

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

- (a) submits an application to the Director of Teaching and Learning, by the closing date for applications;
- (b) is a domestic student in accordance with the University's Student Fees Policy;
- (c) intends to commence or have commenced the Master of Business Analytics Program in the year of award;
- (d) have a permanent home address in a regional or remote geographical area classified as one of:
 - Remoteness Area 2 (RA2);
 - Remoteness Area 3 (RA3);
 - Remoteness Area 4 (RA4);
 - Remoteness Area 5 (RA5);
 - area as defined by the [Australian Statistical Geography Standard \(ASGS\) 2021](#)Please visit the [searchable map](#) of Australia that allows you to view the ASGS Remoteness Area classification of the region where you live;
- (e) does not relocate to a major city more than 3 months prior to or post-commencement of the Master of Business Analytics;
- (f) provides a personal statement in video format of no more than five minutes addressing the following criteria:
 - (i) motivations for choosing to study the Master of Business Analytics and how this program will enhance your career aspirations for a digital transformation position in industry;
 - (ii) how you overcame a professional or personal obstacle
 - (iii) what you have done to make your work environment or community a better place
 - (iv) any additional information you wish the Scholarship panel to take into consideration (e.g. caring responsibilities; volunteering or other similar non-paid work experiences; start-up roles; etc.).
- (g) provides a CV

5. Selection of award

- (1) For the selection process, the Director of Teaching and Learning must establish a selection committee, comprising –
 - (a) the Director of Teaching and Learning, or nominee, as chair of the committee; and
 - (b) two members of University staff who are employed within the Business School.
- (2) The selection committee will consider the following criteria in their deliberations –
 - (a) evidence of academic merit;
 - (b) paid and/or volunteer work experience;
 - (c) community involvement;
 - (d) motivations to studying business analytics and how this will relate to your career progression;
 - (e) personal statement responses.
- (3) The Scholarship will be awarded on a competitive basis and to applicants that show the greatest merit as per the criteria in rule 5(2).



(4) The final decision to award the Scholarship rests with the Director of Teaching and Learning and the selection committee

6. Conditions for the scholarship

- (1) The recipient may receive the Scholarship, subject to the recipient –
 - (a) accepting their offer for an Approved program and be enrolled in the appropriate courses by the appropriate semester commencement date (based on time of application); and
 - (b) maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress in each semester that the Scholarship is held.
- (2) If a recipient fails to satisfy rule 6(1), the recipient must show cause to the Director of Teaching and Learning why the Scholarship should not be cancelled.
- (3) The Scholarship cannot be deferred.

7. Termination of scholarship

The Business School 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 if the student commits serious misconduct.