



Tomas Riha Scholarship

(Established through a gift from the Riha family in 2022 under the Queensland Commitment matching scheme. The Scholarship is in memory of Associate Professor Tomas Riha, to honour his work and achievements.)

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage and support students enrolled in the Bachelor of Economics at The University of Queensland who are experiencing financial hardship.

2. Definitions

In these rules –

Approved Program means the Bachelor of Economics or a dual program that includes the Bachelor of Economics at The University of Queensland.

Head means the Head of the School of Economics.

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. 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.

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

Scholarship means the Tomas Riha Scholarship.

University means The University of Queensland.

3. Award, Value and Selection

- (1) Up to one Scholarship may be awarded each year as tenure becomes vacant.
- (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.
- (3) Each Scholarship will be tenable for the Minimum Completion Time of the Approved Program.
- (4) The Scholarship shall be awarded on recommendation from the Head after consultation with a selection committee, comprising –
 - (a) the Head (or nominee);
 - (b) the Deputy Head of the School of Economics (or nominee); and
 - (c) the Chair of the Teaching and Learning Committee of the School of Economics (or nominee).

4. Eligibility and Award Criteria

- (1) An applicant is eligible for the Scholarship, if the applicant –
 - (a) submits an application for the Scholarship to the Head, by the closing date for applications;
 - (b) is a domestic student in accordance with the University's Fee Policy;
 - (c) is enrolled full-time in the Approved Program; and
 - (d) can demonstrate and provide documentary evidence of financial hardship.
- (2) The Scholarship is awarded to the student showing the greatest merit based on –
 - (a) evidence of financial hardship; and
 - (b) any other matter that the selection committee considers to be relevant to the applicant's future success in their studies.

5. Conditions for Award

- (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 the Approved Program excluding any periods of approved interruption in accordance with rule 6; and
 - (b) maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress.
- (2) If the recipient fails to satisfy rule 5(1), the recipient must show cause to the Head why the Scholarship should not be cancelled.



6. Deferment and Interruption of Award

Recipients may apply to the Head to have their Scholarship deferred and/or interrupted for up to two semesters in exceptional circumstances.