



# Sir William Tyree Engineering Scholarship

(Established in 2021 by the Tyree Foundation in memory of Sir William Tyree, founder of the Tyree Group and a leading Australian industrialist.)

## 1 Purpose

The purpose of this undergraduate Scholarship is to encourage and support students commencing at The University of Queensland, who intend to specialise in electrical engineering and who are experiencing financial hardship.

## 2 Definitions

In these rules –

**Approved Program** means the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) program, or an engineering integrated program or an engineering dual program.

**Commencing Student** means a student who has not undertaken any prior tertiary study at a Bachelor level or above prior to enrolling in the Approved Program, other than studies in special university programs designed for secondary school students and who will complete, or has completed, year 12 studies in the two-year period prior to the year of the award

**Foundation** means the Tyree Foundation.

**Head** means the Head of School, School of Information Technology and Electrical Engineering

**Rural or Regional Area** means you must have lived in a geographic region classified as –

Remoteness Area 2 (RA2)

Remoteness Area 3 (RA3)

Remoteness Area 4 (RA4)

Remoteness Area 5 (RA5)

for at least five consecutive years, or for at least 10 years cumulatively. Remoteness Areas are defined by the Australian Statistical Geography Standard – Remoteness Area structure (ASGS -RA).

**Relevant Field** means any electrical engineering field.

**Scholarship** means the Sir William Tyree Engineering Scholarship

## 3 Award and value of scholarship

(1) One Scholarship may be awarded each year on the recommendation of the Head.

(2) The value of the Scholarship will be \$15,000 for each year that it is held.

## 4 Eligibility for award

(1) An applicant is eligible for the Scholarship if the applicant –

- (a) submits an application to the Head of School by the closing date for applications;
- (b) is a domestic student in accordance with The University's Fee Policy;
- (c) is enrolled or intends to enrol full-time as a Commencing Student in the first year of the Approved Program;
- (d) can demonstrate and provide documentary evidence of financial hardship; and
- (e) does not hold another Scholarship that the Head considers to be similar.

## 5 Selection of award

(1) For the selection process, the Head must establish a selection committee, comprising –

- (a) the Head, or nominee, as Chair of the committee;
- (b) one representative from the Foundation; and
- (c) at least one academic staff member who is currently teaching in the Approved Program in the Relevant Field,

with University staff comprising the majority.

(2) The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of the following criteria: -

- (a) demonstrated financial hardship;
- (b) strength of interest the applicant demonstrates in the Relevant Field as demonstrated by a cover letter, short answer responses within the application, and a resume;
- (c) academic achievement in secondary school studies;
- (d) personal qualities, including leadership, potential to succeed; and
- (e) any other matter that the selection committee deems relevant to the applicant's future success in the engineering profession.

(3) The selection committee may decide to interview short-listed applicants.



- (4) Preference will be given to students who will complete; or has completed; Year 12 in a Rural or Regional Area in Queensland or completed Year 12 as a boarder, while having a permanent address in a Rural or Regional Area in Queensland.

## **6 Conditions for scholarship**

- (1) The recipient may hold the Scholarship for up to four years and will be paid in equal semester instalments, subject to the recipient -
  - (a) continuing to be enrolled full-time in an Approved Program and, in a Relevant Field from their second year of study;
  - (b) passing all courses in which they are enrolled;
  - (c) achieving a GPA of at least 5.0 in each calendar year for which the Scholarship is held; and
  - (d) not holding another scholarship that the Head considers to be similar.
- (2) If a recipient fails to satisfy rule 6(1) the recipient must show cause to the Head why the Scholarship should not be cancelled.
- (3) The Scholarship may be deferred or interrupted for a maximum period of one year in exceptional circumstances as considered relevant by the Head.

## **7 Termination of scholarship**

- (1) 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); or
  - (b) if the recipient defers or interrupts their study without approval; or
  - (c) if the recipient commits misconduct.