



Master of Business Analytics Financial Hardship Scholarship

Established in 2022 by UQ Business School

1. Purpose

The purpose of the scholarships is to support students in the Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics and Master of Business Analytics programs who are experiencing financial hardship.

2. Definitions

In these rules –

Head means the Academic Dean and Head of School of the UQ Business School

Approved Program means the Graduate Certificate in Business Analytics and Master of Business Analytics

Scholarship means Master of Business Analytics Financial Hardship Scholarship.

3. Award and Value

- (1) A number of Scholarships may be awarded in the academic year on recommendation from the Dean, as tenure becomes available.
- (2) The value of the Scholarship will be \$5,000 and will be payable in one instalment towards living costs.

4. Eligibility for Award

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

- (a) submits an application to the Head, by the closing date for applications;
- (b) can provide documentary evidence of financial hardship;
- (c) intends to enrol or is enrolled in an Approved Program in the semester/year of the award; and
- (d) 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) two members of University staff who are employed within the Business School.
- (2) The Scholarship is awarded to the student showing the greatest merit based on -
 - (a) evidence of financial hardship;
 - (b) personal qualities, including leadership potential;
 - (c) strength of the applicant's personal statement, 500 words or less, demonstrating how the Scholarship funds will assist completion of the student's program; and
 - (d) any other matter which the selection committee considers relevant to the applicant's future success in a business analytics profession.
- (3) The selection committee may decide to interview short-listed applicants.

6. Payment of Award

Installment will be made directly to the students nominated bank account after the census date of either semester 1 or semester 2, depending on when the applications close for the year.

7. Conditions for Award

- (1) The recipient may hold the scholarship for one semester, subject to the recipient -
 - (a) continuing to be enrolled in an Approved Program; and
 - (b) maintaining satisfactory academic progress;
 - (c) 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) A scholarship may be interrupted only with the approval of the Head.
- (4) The recipient may be required to provide a photograph and testimonial at the completion of their program and to take part in a follow-up report 12 months after completion of their program.

8. Termination of Award

The University may terminate the Scholarship -

- (a) If the recipient does not show cause to the reasonable satisfaction of the University as provided for in rule 6(2);
- (b) If the student commits serious misconduct.