

The Hickson Family Scholarship

(Established in 2020 through a gift from Professor Louise Hickson AM and Ms Prudence Galley under the Create Change Scholarship Match Initiative and maintained by income generated from the endowment fund.)

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage and support postgraduate coursework students studying audiology who are experiencing financial hardship.

2. Definitions

In these rules –

Approved Program means the Master of Audiology Studies at The University of Queensland.

Head means the Head of School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences.

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

Scholarship means The Hickson Family Scholarship.

3. Award, Value and Selection

- (1) One Scholarship will be awarded in a year in accordance with these rules.
- (2) The value of each 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 from a maximum period of one year.
- (4) The Scholarship shall be awarded on recommendation from the Head after consultation with a selection committee, comprising
 - (a) the Head (or nominee); and
 - (b) two academic staff members from the discipline of audiology.

4. Eligibility and Award Criteria

- (1) An applicant is eligible for the Scholarship, if the applicant
 - (a) submits an application to the Head, by the closing date for applications;
 - (b) is enrolled full-time in the Approved Program; and
 - (c) can demonstrate and provide documentary evidence of financial hardship.
 - The Scholarship is awarded to the student showing the greatest merit based on -
 - (a) evidence of financial hardship;
 - (b) strength of personal statement demonstrating how the Scholarship will assist with completion of the Approved Program; and
 - (c) any other matter that the selection committee considers to be relevant to the applicant's future success in the profession of audiology.
- (3) Short-listed applicants may be interviewed.

5. Conditions for Award

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- (1) The recipient may hold the Scholarship for up to one year, subject to the recipient -
 - (a) continuing to be enrolled full-time in the Approved Program; 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

The Scholarship cannot be deferred or interrupted.

7. Termination of scholarship

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 5(2); or
- (b) if the recipient defers or interrupts their study; or
- (c) if the student commits misconduct.