International Onshore Merit Scholarship

1. Definitions

In these rules:

(1) Scholarship means a scholarship for high-achieving students for commencement in Semesters 1 and 2, 2023.

(2) International Student means a student who is not an Australian or New Zealand Citizen or Australian Permanent Resident.

(3) Relevant program means any undergraduate or postgraduate coursework program of at least 16 units at The University of Queensland with the exception of Bachelor of Dental Science (Hons), Doctor of Clinical Dentistry, Bachelor of Physiotherapy (Hons), Master of Dietetics Studies, Master of Conservation Biology, Master of Conservation Science, Bachelor of Arts (Hons) or Bachelor of Science (Hons) with Psychology major, Doctor of Psychology, Master of Clinical Psychology, Master of Organisational Psychology, Master of Psychology, Master of Business Psychology, Master of Counselling, Master of Physiotherapy, Master of Physiotherapy Studies, Master of Audiology Studies, Master of Occupational Therapy Studies, Master of Speech Pathology Studies, Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Medicine (Ochsner), Doctor of Medicine (Provisional), Bachelor of Veterinary Science (Hons), Graduate Certificate in Business Administration, Graduate Diploma in Business Administration, Master of Business Administration, Master of Biostatistics, Graduate Diploma in Biostatistics, and Graduate Certificate in Biostatistics.

2. Purpose

(1) The purpose of the Scholarship is to provide assistance with tuition fees for high-achieving international onshore students commencing a relevant degree program at The University of Queensland in Semester 1 or 2, 2023.

3. Value and duration of Scholarship

(1) The Scholarship is a tuition fee reduction of $10,000, or $5,000 for UQ College foundation packaged students.

(2) The reduction will be split into two $5,000 amounts and applied after enrolment and prior to the tuition fees due date for the first two semesters of the program.

(3) UQ College foundation packaged students will receive a reduction after enrolment and prior to the tuition fees due date for the first semester of the program.

4. Eligibility for Scholarship

(1) A student is eligible for the Scholarship if they:

   (a) are an international student;
   (b) have completed their most recent qualification in Australia;
   (c) have applied to undertake studies at UQ on a full-time basis in a relevant program commencing Semester 1 or 2, 2023 and have received an offer;
   (d) will enrol full time (8 units per semester unless otherwise required according to a student’s study plan);
   (e) have satisfied the program entry and English language proficiency requirements;
(f) have not received another scholarship or tuition fee reduction or rebate from UQ;

(g) have not received a full scholarship/sponsorship from another organisation (partial scholarships/sponsorships will be considered at the University’s discretion); and

(h) have achieved a competitive score as determined by the University when ranked among the pool of offer holders for programs in their commencement semester.

5. Selection, Offer and Award of Scholarship

(1) The Scholarship is competitive and awarded on the recommendation of the awarding committee to students who, in the opinion of the awarding committee, show the greatest merit as demonstrated by:

   (a) academic merit; and

   (b) any other information that the awarding committee considers relevant.

(2) The Scholarship is offered in Rounds. A student will automatically be considered for the Scholarship if they meet the eligibility criteria in section 4 at the time of a scholarship Round.

(3) Students will be notified by email if they have been offered a Scholarship, including a due date by which they must meet any outstanding conditions and accept their Scholarship offer.

   (a) A student who does not accept their Scholarship offer by the due date may not be considered for the Scholarship in future Rounds.

   (b) If a student’s UQ program offer is still conditional, the student must satisfy any outstanding conditions of their UQ program offer in order to be awarded the Scholarship.

(4) The Scholarship is limited in number of places and is awarded as applicants respond to their Scholarship offer. A student’s offer, or their acceptance of the offer, does not guarantee they will be successful in receiving the Scholarship.

(5) Requests for an extension to the Scholarship offer due date:

   (a) must be submitted in writing to the specified email address prior to the due date,

   (b) must include a compassionate or compelling reason why the student cannot meet the conditions and accept the Scholarship offer by the due date, and

   (c) will be considered by the awarding committee on a case-by-case basis. Students will be notified of an outcome to their request within a reasonable timeframe.

6. Scholarship conditions

(1) A student must accept their UQ program offer and make their tuition deposit payment for their scholarship acceptance to be confirmed. A student with a conditional UQ program offer must satisfy any outstanding conditions of their UQ offer.

(2) The Scholarship is offered for a specific program and commencement semester. A student who defers their commencement of study to a future semester, they may no longer be eligible for the scholarship. The student’s eligibility will be re-evaluated for the new commencement semester if applicable.

   (b) If a student changes their program from that on their scholarship offer, they may no longer be eligible for the scholarship. The student’s eligibility or the Scholarship in the new program will be determined by the awarding committee (prior to enrolment) or by the Senior Manager, Sponsored Students (following enrolment)
7. Termination of Scholarship

(1) The University will terminate the Scholarship if the recipient:
   (a) does not enrol in a relevant program in the proposed semester of commencement;
   (b) commits serious misconduct;
   (c) fails a subject in their first semester;
   (d) fails to maintain Satisfactory Academic Standing;
   (e) does not maintain enrolment for two semesters; or
   (f) otherwise becomes ineligible with respect to section 4.

8. Appeals against award or termination of Scholarship

(1) Appeals regarding the award or termination of the Scholarship will be heard by the Senior Manager, Sponsored Students, who may seek approval from the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Global Partnerships).