UQ International Excellence 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 full-time 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 Occupational Therapy Studies, Master of Audiology Studies, Master of Speech Pathology Studies, Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Medicine (Ochsner), Doctor of Medicine (Provisional), Bachelor of Veterinary Science (Hons), Master of Biostatistics, Graduate Diploma in Biostatistics, Graduate Certificate in Biostatistics, Graduate Certificate in Business Administration, Graduate Diploma in Business Administration, and Master of Business Administration.

2. Purpose

(1) The purpose of the Scholarship is to provide assistance with tuition fees for high-achieving international 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 25% reduction in tuition fees per semester.

(2) The reduction will be applied after enrolment and prior to the tuition fees due date each semester.

(3) The maximum duration of the Scholarship is four years or the duration of the program where it is less than four years.

4. Eligibility for Scholarship

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

   (a) are an international student;

   (b) 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 unconditional offer;

   (c) will enrol full time (8 units per semester unless otherwise required according to a student’s study plan);

   (d) have satisfied the program entry rank and English language proficiency requirements;

   (e) have not received another scholarship, tuition fee reduction or rebate from UQ;
(f) have not received a full scholarship/sponsorship from another organisation (applicants with partial scholarships/sponsorships will be considered at the University's discretion); and

(g) are an undergraduate student or postgraduate student and have achieved a cumulative GPA equivalent of 6.75 and above (on the UQ 7-point scale); or

(h) are a high school leaver and have achieved an entry rank of 99.

Note – the cGPA/entry rank requirement is subject to change for future scholarship rounds.

5. Selection, Offer and Award of Scholarship

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

(a) academic performance, 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) A student 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.

(4) The Scholarship is limited in number of places and is awarded as students 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. Student 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.

(2) The Scholarship is for the program and commencement semester specified in the Scholarship offer letter.

(a) If a student defers their commencement of study to another 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 specified on the Scholarship offer, they may no longer be eligible for the Scholarship. The student's eligibility for 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 student:

   (a) does not enrol in the relevant program in the proposed semester of commencement,
   (b) commits serious misconduct,
   (c) fails a subject in their first semester,
   (d) does not maintain Satisfactory Academic Standing,
   (e) does not maintain enrolment for two semesters, or
   (f) otherwise becomes ineligible with regards to section 4(1).

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).