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What are Equity Scholarships?

Equity Scholarships assist financially disadvantaged students with the costs associated with higher education.

Equity Scholarships through UAC comprise:

- Institution Equity Scholarships (IES) funded by individual institutions – some IES are funded by donations or sponsorship
- Commonwealth Scholarships (CS) for Indigenous applicants funded by the Australian Government.

Institution Equity Scholarships (IES)

IES are funded by participating institutions and are awarded to students experiencing financial disadvantage and/or other educational disadvantages.

IES aim to maximise the participation in higher education of students from low socio-economic backgrounds and also target groups statistically under-represented in higher education.

IES are available to applicants who receive means-tested payments such as Disability Support Pensions, Parenting Payment Single and Carer Payment. Some institutions may award IES to applicants receiving student income support payments.

IES provide consideration to students experiencing a wide range of educational disadvantages including:

- carer responsibilities
- English language difficulties
- Indigenous Australian
- financial hardship
- long-term or recurrent medical conditions or illnesses
- refugee status (disrupted schooling)
- regional or remote disadvantage
- sole parent responsibilities.

For more information about educational disadvantages, see 'Table 2: Descriptions of educational disadvantage', pages 8-10.

Commonwealth Scholarships (CS) for Indigenous students

Commonwealth Scholarships for Indigenous students are funded by the Australian Government.

The objectives of the Commonwealth Scholarships (CS) Program are to facilitate choice in higher education and to increase higher education participation for Indigenous students.

The main scholarship types are:

- Indigenous Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship (CECS) to assist students with general education costs
- Indigenous Commonwealth Accommodation Scholarship (CAS) to assist students from regional and remote areas who have to relocate to attend higher education with accommodation costs, and
- Indigenous Access Scholarship, a once in a lifetime scholarship, to assist students access higher education.

Summary of available Equity Scholarships

Scholarship types	Institution Equity Scholarships. Commonwealth Scholarships for Indigenous students.
Scholarship names	Institution Equity Scholarships (IES) (see pages 11–48 for details). Indigenous Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarships comprising: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Indigenous – Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarships ■ Indigenous Enabling – Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarships. Indigenous Commonwealth Accommodation Scholarships comprising: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Indigenous – Commonwealth Accommodation Scholarships ■ Indigenous Enabling – Commonwealth Accommodation Scholarships ■ Indigenous Access Scholarships (IAS).
How to apply	Through UAC's Equity Scholarships Online at www.uac.edu.au/equity
Selection process	Competitive selection process – scholarships awarded to students in greatest need.

Scholarships available through Centrelink

There are two Commonwealth Scholarships available through Centrelink:

- Student Start-up Scholarships, and
- Relocation Scholarships.

You don't need to apply for Student Start-up Scholarships and Relocation Scholarships – Centrelink will pay them directly to you if you're eligible.

These scholarships are not available to students in receipt of Disability Support Pensions, Parenting Payment Single and Carer Payment.

For more information about Student Start-up Scholarships and Relocation Scholarships visit www.centrelink.gov.au/internet/internet.nsf/individuals/changes_youth_allowance.htm

UAC important dates

On-time applications close – Friday 30 September 2011

Final applications close – Wednesday 30 November 2011

Equity Scholarships online outcomes – Thursday 19 January 2012

Equity Scholarships through UAC for semester 1, 2012

UAC provides a centralised application process for all participating institutions for CS for Indigenous students as well as IES. For exceptions, see shaded box below.

Exceptions:

For Australian Maritime College (www.amc.edu.au) and Griffith University (www.griffith.edu.au/scholarships) – apply directly to the institution for both Commonwealth Scholarships and Institution Equity Scholarships.

For the Australian National University, University of New England and University of Wollongong – apply directly to the institution for Institution Equity Scholarships.

For University of Canberra – apply directly to the Institution for Commonwealth Scholarships for Indigenous Students.

For scholarships offered by Canberra Institute of Technology – visit www.cit.act.edu.au/home/

By submitting just one application through UAC you'll be considered for all available Equity Scholarships for which you're eligible at the participating institutions.

You can only receive an Equity Scholarship offer from an institution at which you're currently enrolled and/or to which you've received an offer of admission.

Previously unsuccessful Equity Scholarships applicants

You're welcome to re-apply but you must submit a new application (and new supporting documentation if required).

UAC won't use any of your previous application material for your Equity Scholarships application.

Key dates and processes

Application process

When you apply for an Equity Scholarship through UAC, you don't have to nominate which Equity Scholarship you're applying for.

You'll be considered for all available Equity Scholarships for which you're eligible.

The online application will provide you with your unique ES number and PIN once you've entered your contact information.

Apply through UAC's Equity Scholarships Online at www.uac.edu.au/equity/



When you apply online you'll be given instructions about which documents you need to supply.

It's your responsibility to provide the necessary documentation within **seven working days** of applying.

What Equity Scholarships are institutions offering through UAC for semester 1, 2012?

Institution	Commonwealth Indigenous Scholarships (CS)	Institution Equity Scholarships (IES)
Australian Catholic University	Yes	Yes
Australian National University**	Yes	No
Charles Sturt University	Yes	Yes
La Trobe University	Yes	Yes
Macquarie University	Yes	Yes
Southern Cross University	Yes	Yes
University of Canberra*	No	Yes
University of New England**	Yes	No
University of New South Wales	Yes	Yes
University of Newcastle	Yes	Yes
University of Sydney	Yes	Yes
University of Technology, Sydney	Yes	Yes
University of Western Sydney	Yes	Yes
University of Wollongong**	Yes	No

* apply directly to the institution for CS

** apply directly to the institution for IES

Five institutions accept Equity Scholarships applications through UAC, from applicants for admission through UAC and other Tertiary Admissions Centres (VTAC or QTAC)

The following table summarises this in more detail:

Institution	will accept ES applications from UAC applicants?	will accept ES applications from VTAC applicants?	will accept ES applications from QTAC applicants?
Australian Catholic University	Yes	Yes	Yes
Charles Sturt University	Yes	Yes	No
La Trobe University	Yes	Yes	No
Southern Cross University	Yes	No	Yes
University of New England*	Yes	No	Yes

* apply directly to the institution for IES

Selection process

Institutions will make their Equity Scholarships offers as a result of applications submitted as part of a competitive application process.

The Equity Scholarships Online application is designed to gather sufficient information from applicants to determine which applicants best meet the eligibility criteria.

Equity Scholarships applications will be assessed based on the information provided in the application and supporting documentation. This means:

- institutions will award CS to Indigenous applicants who best meet the Government's eligibility requirements – see pages 49–50. They may also consider other educational disadvantages, for example, long-term medical conditions – see page 9.
- institutions will award IES to applicants who best meet the eligibility requirements for the IES. Check pages 11–48 for eligibility requirements for each scholarship.

Offer process

Equity Scholarships outcomes will be available at www.uac.edu.au/equity/ on Thursday 19 January 2012.

To access your application outcome you'll need your Equity Scholarships application number and Equity Scholarships PIN.

UAC will notify you in writing of the outcome of your application by Wednesday 25 January 2012.

Scholarship offers by University of Technology, Sydney (UTS)

UTS will make offers directly to successful applicants for four of their Equity Scholarships:

- UTS Vice-Chancellor's Merit Scholarship
- Erik Dreikurs Scholarship
- John Heine Memorial Foundation Women in Engineering Scholarship
- Linden Little Equity Scholarship.

For details see UTS scholarship entries, pages 42–46.

Offer material

If your application for an Equity Scholarship is successful, you'll receive material provided by the institution making the scholarship offer, with your offer letter.

Your offer material will include details about the scholarship you've been awarded together with details of the institution's requirements for accepting the offer.

When you accept an Equity Scholarship offer and it's for longer than one year, you must agree to provide personal information relevant to assessing your ongoing eligibility to the institution on request.

Your Equity Scholarship offer is made on the condition that you're eligible to receive an Equity Scholarship on your first census date for the scholarship period.

Institutions will confirm your eligibility before payment is made.

Deferment

Initial deferment of an Equity Scholarship is not permitted by any participating institution.

Students awarded an Equity Scholarship who defer the start of their studies or who withdraw from their course before their first census date will forfeit their Equity Scholarship. Students may re-apply for a scholarship if they start studies at the institution at a later date.

Termination of an Equity Scholarship

If the Equity Scholarship you've been awarded is for longer than one year, it will be terminated if:

- you cease to meet the eligibility requirements for your Equity Scholarship, or
- the maximum duration of the Equity Scholarship has been reached (if applicable), or
- you've failed to make satisfactory academic progress as defined by the institution, or
- you've committed serious misconduct (eg provided false or misleading information), or
- you don't resume study at the end of an approved interruption to study period.

Grievance procedures

Grievances will be resolved in accordance with the relevant institution policies.

Institution Equity Scholarships (IES)

Value and duration of IES

The value and duration of the scholarships awarded by institutions differ. Check each institution's entry for details, see pages 11–48.

IES and income support payments

IES were exempt from the Social Security and Veterans' Affairs income tests from Friday 1 January 2010.

IES and taxation

If you're a student receiving full-time education at a school, college or university, your scholarship will be exempt from taxation subject to certain exceptions, see *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*, section 51–10(2.1A).

The Australian Taxation Office's website provides information regarding scholarships and tax, including a tool to help you check whether your scholarship is tax exempt. Visit www.ato.gov.au and enter 'scholarships' in the search facility in the top right-hand corner of the page.

For further information, contact the ATO enquiry line on 13 28 61.

Eligibility

The eligibility requirements for IES vary between institutions and schemes. Check each institution's entry for details.

Australian Catholic University	page 11
Charles Sturt University	page 12
La Trobe University	pages 13–15
Macquarie University	pages 16–20
Southern Cross University	pages 21–22
University of Canberra	page 23–24
University of New South Wales	pages 25–31
University of Newcastle	page 32
University of Sydney	pages 33–41
University of Technology, Sydney	pages 42–46
University of Western Sydney	pages 47–48

Being eligible doesn't guarantee a scholarship

Meeting the scholarship eligibility criteria doesn't guarantee that you'll be awarded a scholarship. There are a limited number of Equity Scholarships and there are more applicants than scholarships. As part of a competitive application process, applicants are ranked against the eligibility criteria and institutions award scholarships to applicants who best meet the eligibility criteria.

If you're unsuccessful it doesn't mean that you're not in need; rather, it means that there are other applicants who've been assessed as being in greater need.

Indigenous Australian applicants – Evidence of Aboriginality

If you're an Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, you must provide evidence of your Aboriginality by one of the methods detailed below:

- 1 provision of your Centrelink Customer Reference Number (CRN) to enable UAC to confirm that you're currently receiving ABSTUDY, or
- 2 if you don't provide your CRN or aren't receiving ABSTUDY, you must complete the 'Declaration' – declaring you an Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. You can complete the declaration when you apply online for Equity Scholarships.

If your Aboriginality is questioned, you'll be asked to provide further evidence.

Payments

If you're awarded an IES, the institution will provide details of how payments will be made.

Ongoing eligibility requirements

If the IES you've been awarded is for longer than one year, in order to maintain ongoing eligibility for your IES you must:

- maintain satisfactory academic progress, according to your institution's policy
- continue to meet eligibility requirements relevant to the IES awarded to you and provide documentary evidence to support your ongoing eligibility when requested.

It's your responsibility to advise your institution of any changes to your circumstances that would make you ineligible for your IES.

For IES paid bi-annually, institutions will review and verify your ongoing eligibility for your IES twice a year, before payment in each half of the year.

Approved leave

Institutions may approve requests from students to retain their IES when they are on approved leave – check each institution's entry, see pages 11–48.

Provision of false information

If UAC or any participating NSW or ACT institution knows or has reason to believe that a student in receipt of an IES has provided false or misleading information, UAC, on behalf of the institution/s, is required to re-assess the student's entitlement to the IES. UAC must then notify the relevant institution of the suspected offence and provide the institution with a copy of the student's application and any other relevant information requested by the institution.

Table 1: Main eligibility requirements for IES – at a glance

This table summarises the main eligibility requirements for each institution's IES.

You must also check each institution's entry for details about ALL eligibility requirements. Entries start on page 11 of this booklet.

Institution	Name of scholarship	Restrictions on citizenship/ residency requirements?	Open to postgraduate students?	Commonwealth-supported place only?	Must demonstrate financial hardship?
Australian Catholic University	ACU National Equity Bursaries	Yes – see page 11	Yes	Yes	Yes
Charles Sturt University	Charles Sturt University Equity Scholarships (CSUES)	Yes – see page 12	Yes	Yes	Yes
La Trobe University	La Trobe Indigenous Students Scholarships (LISS)	Yes – see page 13	No	Yes	Yes
	La Trobe Vice-Chancellor's Regional Scholarships (LVCRS)	Yes – see page 14			
	La Trobe University Study Support Scholarships (LSSS)	Yes – see page 15			
Macquarie University	Macquarie University Education Costs Scholarships (MECS)	Yes – see page 16	No	Yes	Yes
	Macquarie University Accommodation (MAS)	Yes – see page 17			
	Macquarie University Higher Study Scholarships (MAHS)	Yes – see page 18			
	Macquarie University Mature Age/Non-Current School Leaver Scholarships	Yes – see page 19			
	Macquarie University Refugee Scholarships	Yes – see page 20			
Southern Cross University	Southern Cross University Equity Book Bursaries	Yes – see page 21	No	Yes	Yes
	Southern Cross University Equity Scholarships (SCUES)	Yes – see page 22			
University of Canberra	University of Canberra Access Scholarships	No	No	No	Yes
	University of Canberra Aspire Scholarships	Yes – see page 24	No	No	Yes
University of New South Wales	UNSW Vice-Chancellor's Equity Scholarships	Yes – see page 25	No	Yes	Yes
	UNSW Access Assist Scholarships	Yes – see page 26			
	UNSW Vice-Chancellor's Alumni Appeal Equity Scholarships	Yes – see page 27			
	UNSW Alumni Leaders Equity Scholarships in Business	Yes – see page 28			
	Mattick Scholarships in Business	Yes – see page 29			
	The Kosmos Asset Management Award in Economics	Yes – see page 30			
	Juris Doctor Equity Scholarships	Yes – see page 31	Yes	No	Yes

Table 1: Main eligibility requirements for IES – at a glance (continued)

This table summarises the main eligibility requirements for each institution's IES.

You must also check each institution's entry for details about ALL eligibility requirements. Entries start on page 11 of this booklet.

Institution	Name of scholarship	Restrictions on citizenship/ residency requirements?	Open to postgraduate students?	Commonwealth-supported place only?	Must demonstrate financial hardship?
University of Newcastle	Equity Scholarships Scheme University of Newcastle (ESSUN)	Yes – see page 32	Yes	No	Yes
University of Sydney	University of Sydney Access Scholarships	Yes – see page 33	No	No	Yes
	The V. John Plummer Scholarships in Economics and Business	Yes – see page 34			
	Bruton Educational Trust Scholarship	Yes – see page 36			
	Walter & Eliza Hall Scholarships	Yes – see page 37			
	Rural Sustainability Scholarships	Yes – see page 40			
	Environmental Sustainability Scholarships	Yes – see page 41			
	Wigram Allen Scholarship for the Juris Doctor	Yes – see page 35		Yes	No
University of Technology, Sydney	Blooms the Chemist – John Sidgreaves Scholarship	No	No	No	Yes
	University of Sydney Bridging Course Scholarships	Yes – see page 39	No	N/A	Yes
	UTS Diversity Access Scholarships (DAS)	Yes – see page 42	Yes	No	Yes
University of Western Sydney	UTS Vice-Chancellor's Merit Scholarships	Yes – see page 43	No	Yes	Yes
	Erik Dreikurs Scholarship	Yes – see page 44			
	John Heine Memorial Foundation Women in Engineering Scholarship	Yes – see page 45			
	Linden Little Equity Scholarship	Yes – see page 46			
	UWS Opportunity Scholarships	Yes – see page 47	No	Yes	Yes
	UWS Indigenous Achievement Scholarships	Yes – see page 48	No	Yes	Yes

Table 2: Descriptions of educational disadvantage

Institutions make their Equity Scholarship offers as a result of a competitive application process which takes into consideration the Commonwealth's eligibility requirements for Commonwealth scholarships, any specific eligibility requirements for individual IES and the educational disadvantages described below.

You must print your Scholarship Document Package when you have submitted your equity scholarship application; your Scholarship Document Package will detail any documentary evidence you need to provide to UAC to support your application.

Carer responsibilities

A carer is defined as a person of any age who, without being paid, cares for another person who needs ongoing support because of a long-term medical condition, a mental illness, a disability, frailty or the need for palliative care. A carer:

- may or may not be a family member and may or may not live with the person they care for
- may be in receipt of a Centrelink Carer Allowance or Carer Payment.

Volunteers under the auspices of a voluntary organisation are not included.

Evidence of carer responsibilities

Applicants claiming carer responsibilities must provide one (only) of the following types of evidence:

- if you are receiving Carer Payment or Carer Allowance, your Centrelink Customer Reference Number (CRN) in your equity scholarship online application
or
- an independent statement to support your eligibility for carer responsibilities, completed and signed by a responsible person who knows your circumstances.

Sole parent responsibilities

A sole parent is defined as a person of any age who is single and has at least one child, under 18, who is wholly or primarily in their care and who is in Australia.

Evidence of sole parent responsibilities

Applicants claiming sole parent responsibilities must provide one (only) of the following types of evidence:

- if you are receiving Parenting Payment Single, your Centrelink Customer Reference Number (CRN) in your equity scholarship online application
or
- an independent statement to support your eligibility for sole parent responsibilities, completed and signed by a responsible person who knows your circumstances.

Financial hardship

A person is considered to be experiencing financial hardship where they are:

- a) receiving a Centrelink (or other Commonwealth) means-tested income support payment (such as a Disability Support Pension, Parenting Payment Single, Carer Payment etc.)
or
- b) expecting to receive a Centrelink (or other Commonwealth) means-tested income support payment by the census date of the first semester of study in 2012
or
- c) able to provide comprehensive information demonstrating exceptional financial hardship.

Evidence of financial hardship

Equity Scholarship applicants can claim one (only) of the above categories of Financial hardship.

Applicants claiming financial hardship, must provide one (only) of the following types of evidence; the type of evidence you must provide relates directly to the category of financial hardship you've claimed:

- a) provision of your Centrelink Customer Reference Number (CRN) in your equity scholarship online application
or
- b) no documentation is required to support eligibility for the expectation of receipt of a means-tested payment, when you submit an equity scholarship application; applicants will be required to verify their receipt of an allowance to their institution after enrolment and prior to payment of an equity scholarship
or
- c) documentation provided to support eligibility for exceptional financial hardship must demonstrate a level of real and enduring financial hardship. Applicants who are eligible to claim a Centrelink means-tested allowance but choose not to claim are not eligible for exceptional financial hardship. Applicants whose family income is above the Centrelink eligibility threshold are generally not eligible for exceptional financial hardship.

English language difficulty

A person is considered to be experiencing English language difficulty:

- if they experience difficulties due to their non-English background that affects their ability to study at university
and
- they came to Australia from a non-English speaking country in 2007 or later
and
- didn't previously undertake any formal education at an institution where the language of instruction was English
and
- haven't undertaken two or more years of full-time study in Australia in a diploma, advanced diploma, bachelor degree or higher level award.

Evidence of English language difficulty

You'll be asked to provide:

- details of the studies you have undertaken
and
- a verified copy of your first immigration visa. If your current immigration visa specifies a different residency visa from that specified on your first, attach verified copies of both
and
- a statement of attendance from an Intensive English Centre (if applicable).

Table 2: Descriptions of educational disadvantage (continued)

Indigenous Australian


A person will be considered to be an Indigenous person if the person:

1. is of Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent
or
2. identifies as an Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
or
3. is accepted as an Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander in the community in which he/she lives or has lived.

Evidence of Aboriginality

If you're an Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, you must provide evidence of your Aboriginality by one of the following:

- provision of your Centrelink Customer Reference Number (CRN) so UAC can confirm you currently receive ABSTUDY
or
- by the correct completion of a Declaration – Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. At the end of your Equity Scholarships Online application you will print this declaration if your answers indicate that you may need to complete and return the declaration.

 **If your Aboriginality is questioned you'll be asked to provide further evidence if and when this occurs.**

Long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse

A person is considered to be experiencing a long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse if their ability to study at university is being affected, or is likely to be affected by the long-term and ongoing effects of:

- a severe and long-term or a severe and recurrent medical/psychiatric condition or illness
or
- a learning, sensory, physical, psychological or other disability/disorder
or
- abuse (eg domestic violence, emotional abuse, psychological abuse, incest, ritual abuse, sexual abuse, or torture).

Evidence of long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse

You will be asked to provide:

- a *Medical Impact Statement (MIS), completed by a registered health professional who is treating you for your condition
and
- an *Educational Impact Statement (EIS), completed by a responsible person who can comment on the educational impact on your studies.

*see 'Common terms and abbreviations' on page 60 for more information about these documents.

Refugee status (disrupted schooling)

A person's schooling may have been disrupted as a result of their refugee status.

Institutions may use this criterion in conjunction with other demonstrated disadvantages in awarding their Institution Equity Scholarships.

Evidence of Refugee status (disrupted schooling)

You'll be asked to provide:

- details of the missed periods of school due to your refugee status
and
- a verified copy of your visa showing refugee status; or a verified copy of your Red Cross or UNHCR registration if you arrived in Australia on a non-refugee visa; or a verified copy of your document for travelling to Australia.

Regional or remote disadvantage for non-Indigenous applicants

A non-Indigenous person will be considered to have experienced a regional or remote disadvantage if they can show that within the two years immediately prior to the start of their current or proposed course of higher education study they lived in a regional or remote area of Australia for at least 12 months.

Regional or remote classification

Your permanent residence postcode(s) will be used to assess whether you lived in a regional or remote area of Australia.

The Australian Standard Geographic Classification Remoteness Areas (ASGC RA) classification system will be used to determine the categorisation of postcodes as per the following structure:

- RA1 – Major Cities of Australia
- RA2 – Inner Regional Australia
- RA3 – Outer Regional Australia
- RA4 – Remote Australia
- RA5 – Very Remote Australia

Visit the Australian Standard Geographic Classification Remoteness Areas (ASGC AR) classification system at: www.doctorconnect.gov.au/

You can use this tool as a guide for your postcode. All categories other than Major City will be considered to be regional or remote.

Evidence of regional or remote disadvantage for non-Indigenous applicants

You'll be asked to provide documentary evidence substantiating your residence in a regional or remote area of Australia, for a period of at least 12 months in the two years immediately prior to the start of your current or proposed higher education course of study. Documents must be in your name.

Table 2: Descriptions of educational disadvantage (continued)

Regional or remote disadvantage for Indigenous applicants

An Indigenous person will be considered to have experienced a regional or remote disadvantage if they can show that within the four years immediately before the start of higher education study, they either:

1. lived in a regional or remote area of Australia for at least three years
or
2. completed the final two years of schooling in a high school or college in a regional or remote area of Australia (while residing in a regional or remote area of Australia)
or
3. moved away from a regional or remote area of Australia to complete the whole or the majority of secondary schooling at a high school or college in a major city
or
4. lived in a regional or remote area of Australia for at least two years, and relocated to a major city to undertake vocational education training (eg TAFE) for a maximum of two years duration immediately preceding their current or proposed course of study.

In addition to one of the above:

- it was necessary to move from the regional or remote area of Australia in order to undertake their higher education study or it was necessary to remain in a major city in order to undertake their higher education study
and
- as a result of the move will incur/has incurred additional accommodation costs
and
- the person is/will be enrolled as an internal student.

Regional or remote classification

Your permanent residence postcode will be used in the first instance to assess whether you have relocated from a regional or remote area.

The Commonwealth Scholarships Guidelines advise that the Australian Standard Geographic Classification Remoteness Areas (ASGC RA) classification system be used as a guide for the following:

- RA1 – Major Cities of Australia
- RA2 – Inner Regional Australia
- RA3 – Outer Regional Australia
- RA4 – Remote Australia
- RA5 – Very Remote Australia.

The Commonwealth Scholarships Guidelines (Education) 2010 advises:

“A provider must deem a student ineligible if they have come from a locality belonging to the Major City classification (RA 1)”.

Visit the Australian Standard Geographic Classification Remoteness Areas (ASGC AR) classification system at: www.doctorconnect.gov.au/

You can use this tool as a guide for your postcode.

Internal student

You should normally be enrolled as an internal student to be deemed eligible for CAS unless you can demonstrate that there are exceptional circumstances preventing you from doing so, including, but not limited to:

- the need for you to attend classes or access other study related facilities on the campus at which you're enrolled with the eligible scholarship provider or a host provider approved by the eligible scholarship provider through a cross-institutional arrangement
- the distance from your home to the relevant campus
- the availability and quality of transport infrastructure between your home and the relevant campus
- limitations on your mobility due to disability and/or carer responsibilities.

Components of study undertaken overseas or through cross-institutional arrangements

Students who undertake a component of their course (a) overseas or (b) with an institution that has been approved by their institution, won't be precluded from accessing their scholarship if it is approved by their institution and will count towards the course requirements in which the student is enrolled. Students who undertake a component of their study overseas won't be precluded from accessing the scholarship whilst overseas.

Evidence of regional or remote disadvantage for Indigenous applicants

You'll be asked to provide documents as proof of your address in a regional or remote area for each of the four years immediately before the start of your higher education course of study. Documents must be in your name.

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website: www.acu.edu.au/scholarships

The ACU National Equity Bursaries are intended to facilitate choice in higher education and to increase participation of students from low socio-economic backgrounds by providing them with some financial assistance.

ACU National Equity Bursaries

Duration: One year

Value: \$2,000

No. available: 20 each year

Conditions of the scholarship: Continuing students must have and maintain good academic standing.

Approved leave: No leave available.

Payment: In 2012, you'll receive one payment of \$2,000 within 6 weeks of the relevant census date.

Citizenship/residency: Open to:

- Australian citizens
- Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian)
- Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).

Level of study: Open to all undergraduate students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place and postgraduate students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place in the following postgraduate courses:

- Graduate Diploma in Education (Secondary)
- Master of Teaching (Primary)
- Master of Teaching (Secondary)
- Graduate Diploma in Midwifery (Queensland only).

Attendance: Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they're able to demonstrate that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full-time. See 'Part-time study – exceptional circumstances' section on page 59 for more information.

Type of course: Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place.

Financial hardship: Must demonstrate financial hardship.
 (see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)

Other disadvantages: ACU will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria:
 (see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)

1. carer responsibilities
2. English language difficulty
3. financial hardship
4. Indigenous Australian
5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse
6. refugee status (disrupted schooling)
7. regional or remote disadvantage
8. sole parent responsibilities.

Previous qualifications: You're **not** eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).

Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships: You may **not** be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012.

You're **not** eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.

Receiving non-Government funded scholarships: You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012 and the value of the scholarship is more than \$6,000 a year.

telephone: 1800 334 733 University (Freecall)
(02) 6051 9849 CSU Equity Scholarships Office
email: scholarships.officer@csu.edu.au
website: www.csu.edu.au/scholarships/

CSU recognises that accessing tertiary education can be an expensive undertaking and in response, offer a comprehensive range of scholarships across courses at all levels for commencing and continuing students. In 2011, CSU awarded over \$3 million of scholarships to our students.

At Charles Sturt University we are committed to increasing access to higher education for students who are experiencing economic, social or geographical disadvantage and offer the institutional **CSU Equity Scholarships (CSUES)** to support them during their studies.

When awarding the CSUES, the University gives preference to applicants that demonstrate they meet the low socio-economic (financial hardship) plus **other educational disadvantages** as outlined in the following table.

Charles Sturt University Equity Scholarships (CSUES)	
Duration:	One year
Value:	\$2,000 a year
No. available:	280
Conditions of the scholarship:	Continuing students must have and maintain a grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 per session. New students must have a GPA of 3.0 after their first session to receive their 2nd CSUES payment. All students must continue to meet the financial hardship criteria to receive their 2nd CSUES payment.
Approved leave:	Students may not be able to retain their CSUES when on approved leave in their 1st session of scholarship allocation, unless there are exceptional circumstances.
Payment:	In 2012, students will receive \$2,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid in session 1 and session 2 within 6 weeks of the relevant census date. The scholarship is for 1 year. The 2nd payment is subject to the scholarship recipient's continued eligibility.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).
Level of study:	Open to all undergraduate students, plus postgraduate students who are enrolled in a course in an area of National Priority required for initial registration to practice in the chosen National Priority field see www.csu.edu.au/division/studserv/equity/schols/guidelines/htm
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they're able to demonstrate that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full-time. See 'Part-time study - exceptional circumstances' section on page 59 for more information.
Type of course:	Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place.
Financial hardship:	While preference is given to applicants who can demonstrate that they meet financial hardship criteria, scholarships may be awarded outside of this requirement, especially if applicants have relocated from a regional or remote area.
Other disadvantages:	CSU will consider awarding the CSUES to students who also demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. financial hardship 4. Indigenous Australian 5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 6. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 7. regional or remote disadvantage 8. sole parent responsibilities
Previous qualifications:	You may not be eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	You may not be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may not be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may not be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012.

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website: www.latrobe.edu.au/scholarships/

La Trobe University has a number of scholarships available each year to assist students experiencing financial hardship and/or educational disadvantage who are commencing full-time undergraduate studies for the first time.

La Trobe Equity Scholarships (LISS, LVCRS & LSSS) are open to **commencing tertiary students only**. If you **have already commenced** a bachelor degree or higher award at any time, at any institution, whether or not it was completed, and regardless of how long ago you were enrolled, you'll not be considered for any of these scholarships. Please note, a student who enrolled at La Trobe after 30 June 2011 (mid-year entry), and who has met all of the above criteria for commencing students at the time of that enrolment, will be defined as a 'commencing student' for the purposes of this condition and will be eligible to be considered for La Trobe Equity Scholarships for 2012.

La Trobe Indigenous Students Scholarships (LISS)

Duration: Up to 4 years. The LISS is for the normal duration of full-time study for the undergraduate course (including honours, if applicable).

Value: \$5,000 per annum

No. available: 10

Conditions of the scholarship: Must maintain satisfactory academic progress.

Approved leave: You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave however you may not suspend or defer studies in the first year unless exceptional circumstances apply.

Payment: In 2012, you'll receive \$5,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year after the relevant census date depending on study load. Payments after the first are subject to your continued eligibility.

Citizenship/residency: Must be a descendant of Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander peoples, self identify, and be accepted as such by the Indigenous Australian communities in which you have lived or currently reside.

Level of study: Must be an undergraduate student.

Attendance: Open to full-time and part-time students (pro rata).

(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions) Note that the value of a LISS payment may vary from one semester to another, depending on the study load (full-time or part-time) at the end of March and August each year. Payments will be at the full-time rate or 50 per cent of the full-time rate as appropriate.

Type of course: Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place.

Financial hardship: Must demonstrate financial hardship.

(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)

Other disadvantages: La Trobe may award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria:
 (see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)

1. carer responsibilities
2. English language difficulty
3. financial hardship
4. Indigenous Australian
5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse
6. refugee status (disrupted schooling)
7. regional or remote disadvantage
8. sole parent responsibilities.

Open to: Descendants of Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander peoples, who self-identify, and are accepted as such by the Indigenous Australian communities in which they've lived or currently reside.

Previous qualifications: You're **not** eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award.

Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships: You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012.

scholarships: You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.

Receiving non-Government funded scholarships: You may not be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012.

La Trobe Vice-Chancellor's Regional Scholarships (LVCRS)	
Duration:	Up to 4 years. The LVCRS is for the normal duration of full-time study for the undergraduate course (including honours, if applicable).
Value:	\$3,000 per annum
No. available:	20
Conditions of the scholarship:	Must maintain satisfactory academic progress. The student must remain at the same campus as when originally offered scholarship, unless course requirements dictate that the recipient needs to relocate to another campus in order to complete their degree.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave however you may not suspend or defer studies in the first year unless exceptional circumstances apply.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$3,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year after the relevant census date. Payments after the first are subject to your continued eligibility.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - New Zealand citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).
Level of study:	Must be an undergraduate student.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they're able to demonstrate that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full-time. See 'Part-time study - exceptional circumstances' section on page 59 for more information. Must remain at the same campus as when originally offered this scholarship, unless course requirements dictate that the recipient needs to relocate to another campus in order to complete their degree.
Type of course:	Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship and/or other disadvantage. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	La Trobe may award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. financial hardship 4. Indigenous Australian 5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 6. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 7. regional or remote disadvantage 8. sole parent responsibilities.
Open to:	Must be enrolled in a course at La Trobe University's Albury-Wodonga or Mildura campuses.
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award.
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012. You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may not be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012.

La Trobe University Study Support Scholarships (LSSS)	
Duration:	Up to 4 years. The LSSS is for the normal duration of full-time study for the undergraduate course (including honours, if applicable).
Value:	\$3,000 per annum
No. available:	80
Conditions of the scholarship:	Must maintain satisfactory academic progress.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave however you may not suspend or defer studies in the first year unless exceptional circumstances apply.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$3,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year after the relevant census date. Payments after the first are subject to your continued eligibility.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - New Zealand citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).
Level of study:	Must be an undergraduate student.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they're able to demonstrate that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full-time. See 'Part-time study – exceptional definitions' section on page 59 for more information.
Type of course:	Must be enrolled in an Commonwealth-supported place.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	La Trobe will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. financial hardship 4. Indigenous Australian 5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 6. refugee status (disrupted schooling). 7. regional or remote disadvantage 8. sole parent responsibilities.
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award.
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may not be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012.

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website: www.mq.edu.au/scholarships/

Through the provision of Equity Scholarships, Macquarie University seeks to support students whose opportunities to study at university have been hampered by disadvantages beyond their control. Applicants must demonstrate financial hardship, with consideration given to applicants who can also demonstrate any of the following:

- capacity to triumph over hardship
- long-term medical condition/disability
- English language difficulty
- geographic disadvantage
- carer responsibilities
- ongoing effects of abuse.

Macquarie Education Costs Scholarships (MECS)

Duration: Up to 4 years

Value: \$4,754 per annum (2012 amount)

No . available: To be determined.

Conditions of the scholarship: Continuing and new students must have and maintain good academic standing. For continuing students this means having an overall grade point average of 2.0.

Approved leave: You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave.

Payment: In 2012 you'll receive \$4,754 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half year within 4 weeks of the relevant census date. Indexed annually, the scholarship is for up to 4 years. Payments after the first are subject to your continued eligibility.

Citizenship/residency: Open to:

- Australian citizens
- Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian)
- Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian)
- New Zealand citizens.

Level of study: Must be an undergraduate student.

Attendance: Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they're able to demonstrate that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full-time. See 'Part-time study – exceptional circumstances' section on page 59 for more information.

Type of course: Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place.

Financial hardship: Must demonstrate financial hardship.
 (see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)

Other disadvantages: Macquarie University will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria:
 (see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)

1. carer responsibilities
2. English language difficulty
3. financial hardship
4. Indigenous Australian
5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse
6. refugee status (disrupted schooling)
7. sole parent responsibilities.

Previous qualifications: You're **not** eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).

Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships: You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012.

scholarships: You're **not** eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.

Receiving non-Government funded scholarships: You may **not** be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012.

Macquarie Accommodation Scholarships (MAS)	
Duration:	Up to 4 years
Value:	\$9,508 per annum (2012 amount)
No. available:	To be determined.
Conditions of the scholarship:	Continuing and new students must have and maintain good academic standing. For continuing students this means having an overall grade point average of 2.0.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$9,508 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half year within 4 weeks of the relevant census date. Indexed annually, the scholarship is for up to 4 years. Payments after the first are subject to your continued eligibility.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian) - New Zealand citizens.
Level of study:	Must be an undergraduate student.
Attendance: <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>	Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they're able to demonstrate that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full-time. See 'Part-time study - exceptional circumstances' section on page 59 for more information.
Type of course:	Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place.
Financial hardship: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>	Must demonstrate financial hardship.
Regional/remote disadvantage:	The scholarship has been established for students who meet the eligibility requirements for regional and remote disadvantage. Applicants who are relocating from a metropolitan area outside of NSW will also be considered.
Other disadvantages: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>	Macquarie University will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. financial hardship 4. Indigenous Australian 5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 6. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 7. regional or remote disadvantage 8. sole parent responsibilities.
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012. You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may not be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012.

Macquarie University Higher Study Scholarships (MAHS)	
Duration:	One year (or standard duration of your course)
Value:	\$9,508 per annum (2012 amount)
No. available:	To be determined.
Conditions of the scholarship:	In addition to other criteria academic merit will be considered when assessing the applications.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$9,508 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half year within 4 weeks of the relevant census date. Indexed annually, the scholarship is for up to 4 years. Payments after the first are subject to your continued eligibility. There is a pro rata amount available for students approved for part-time study.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian) - New Zealand citizens.
Level of study:	Must be eligible to study at the Honours or postgraduate coursework level in a Commonwealth-supported place or Domestic fee-paying place.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they're able to demonstrate that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full-time. See 'Part-time study – exceptional circumstances' section on page 59 for more information.
<i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>	
Type of course:	Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place or Domestic fee-paying place.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship.
<i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>	
Other disadvantages:	Macquarie University will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria:
<i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. financial hardship 4. Indigenous Australian 5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 6. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 7. regional or remote disadvantage 8. sole parent responsibilities.
Previous qualifications:	Students who already hold an Honours degree or postgraduate qualification are not eligible for this scholarship.
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may not be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012.

Macquarie University Mature Age/Non-Current School Leaver Scholarships	
Duration:	Up to 4 years
Value:	\$4,754 per annum (2012 amount)
No. available:	To be determined.
Conditions of the scholarship:	Successful in obtaining or hopeful to obtain an offer to Macquarie University in semester 1, 2012 through either UAC or a direct Macquarie University admission scheme as a non-current school leaver. Applicants cannot hold a completed Bachelor or higher degree.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$4,754 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half year within 4 weeks of the relevant census date. Indexed annually, the scholarship is for up to 4 years. Payments after the first are subject to your continued eligibility.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian) - New Zealand citizens.
Level of study:	Must be an undergraduate student.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they're able to demonstrate (see Table 6 Full-time study definitions) that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full-time. See 'Part-time study – exceptional circumstances' section on page 59 for more information.
Type of course:	Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship. (see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)
Regional/remote disadvantage:	The scholarship has been established for students who meet the eligibility requirements for regional and remote disadvantage. Applicants who are relocating from a metropolitan area outside of NSW will also be considered.
Other disadvantages:	Macquarie University will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: (see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. financial hardship 4. Indigenous Australian 5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 6. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 7. regional or remote disadvantage 8. sole parent responsibilities.
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012. You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may not be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012.

Macquarie University Refugee Scholarships	
Duration:	Up to 4 years
Value:	\$4,754 per annum (2011 amount)
No. available:	To be determined.
Conditions of the scholarship:	Successful in obtaining or hopeful to obtain an offer to Macquarie University in semester 1, 2012 through either UAC or a direct Macquarie University admission scheme as a non-current school leaver. Applicants cannot hold a completed Bachelor or higher degree.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$4,754 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half year within 4 weeks of the relevant census date. Indexed annually, the scholarship is for up to 4 years. Payments after the first are subject to your continued eligibility.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).
Level of study:	Must be an undergraduate student.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they're able to demonstrate that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full-time. See 'Part-time study – exceptional circumstances' section on page 59 for more information.
Type of course:	Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	Macquarie University will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. financial hardship 4. Indigenous Australian 5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 6. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 7. regional or remote disadvantage 8. sole parent responsibilities.
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012. You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may not be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012.

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 (02) 6620 3313 Undergraduate Scholarships Officer
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website: www.scu.edu.au/scholarships/

Southern Cross University Equity Book Bursaries

Duration: One-off offer

Value: \$250

No. available: 135

Conditions of the scholarship: Not applicable

Approved leave: Not applicable

Payment: One-off non-cash voucher available at session commencement.

Citizenship/residency: Open to:

- Australian citizens
- New Zealand citizens
- Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian)
- Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).

Level of study: Must be an undergraduate student.

Attendance: Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they're able to demonstrate that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full-time. See 'Part-time study - exceptional circumstances' section on page 59 for more information.

Type of course: Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place.

Financial hardship: Must demonstrate financial hardship and/or other disadvantage.
 (see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)

Other disadvantages: SCU will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria:

1. carer responsibilities
2. English language difficulty
3. financial hardship
4. Indigenous Australian
5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse
6. refugee status (disrupted schooling)
7. regional or remote disadvantage
8. sole parent responsibilities.

Previous qualifications: You're **not** eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).

Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships: You're **not** eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012.

Receiving non-Government funded scholarships: You're **not** eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.

Receiving non-Government funded scholarships: You're **not** eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012 and the value of the other scholarship/s is more than \$6,000 a year.

Southern Cross University Equity Scholarships (SCUES)	
Duration:	One-off offer
Value:	\$1,500 per annum
No. available:	80
Conditions of the scholarship:	Not applicable
Approved leave:	Not applicable
Payment:	One-off payment made after census date.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - New Zealand citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).
Level of study:	Must be an undergraduate student.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they're able to demonstrate that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full-time. See 'Part-time study – exceptional circumstances' section on page 59 for more information. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Type of course:	Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship and other disadvantages. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	SCU will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. financial hardship 4. Indigenous Australian 5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 6. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 7. regional or remote disadvantage 8. sole parent responsibilities.
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012 and the value of the other scholarship/s is more than \$6,000 a year.

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website: <http://www.canberra.edu.au/scholarships>

The University of Canberra sponsors **Access Scholarships**, as part of its Access Equity Scheme. Access Scholarships provide \$2 000 towards textbooks and other course-related expenses for one year. Students may re-apply in subsequent years for the Access Scholarship.

University of Canberra Access Scholarships

Duration: One year

Value: \$2,000 per annum

No. available: 30+

Conditions of the scholarship: Continuing students must have and maintain good academic standing.

Approved leave: No leave available.

Payment: In 2012 you will receive \$2,000 in a one-off payment within 4 weeks of the relevant census date.

Citizenship/residency: Open to:

- Australian citizens
- New Zealand citizens
- Permanent residents of Australia
- Temporary, student or visit visa holders
- International students
- Refugee students.

Level of study: Must be an undergraduate student.

Attendance: Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they are able to demonstrate that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full-time. See 'Part-time study – definitions' section on page 59 for more information.

Type of course: Open to students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place or a domestic fee-paying place or an international fee-paying place.

Financial hardship: Must demonstrate financial hardship and/or other disadvantage.
(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)

Other disadvantages: University of Canberra will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria:
(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)

1. carer responsibilities
2. English language difficulty
3. financial hardship
4. Indigenous Australian
5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse
6. refugee status (disrupted schooling)
7. regional or remote disadvantage
8. sole parent responsibilities.

Previous qualifications: You're **not** eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).

Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships: You may not be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012.

Government funded scholarships: You may not be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.

Receiving non-Government funded scholarships: You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012 and the value of the other scholarship/s is more than \$5,000 a year.

University of Canberra (continued)

This scholarship is to support undergraduate students who have entered the University of Canberra via the Principal's Recommendation Scheme from one of the schools in the *Aspire UC* Program. Successful applicants will be provided with a payment of \$1,500 in their first year of study to facilitate successful completion of their undergraduate degree. Students must undertake full-time study.

University of Canberra Aspire Scholarships	
Duration:	One year
Value:	\$1,500 per annum
No. available:	Up to 30
Conditions of the scholarship:	Continuing students must have and maintain good academic standing.
Approved leave:	No leave available.
Payment:	In 2012 you will receive \$1,500 in two equal payments of \$750 after each semester census date.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- an Australian citizen;- a New Zealand citizen;- a diplomatic or consular representative of New Zealand, a member of the staff of such a representative or the spouse or dependent relative of such a representative; or- a student with an Australian permanent visa.
Level of study:	Must be enrolled in first year of their first undergraduate degree.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they are able to demonstrate that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full-time. See 'Part-time study – definitions' section on page 59 for more information.
Type of course:	Open to students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place or a domestic fee-paying place.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship and/or other disadvantage. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	University of Canberra may award scholarships to students who demonstrate disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. carer responsibilities2. English language difficulty3. financial hardship4. Indigenous Australian5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse6. refugee status (disrupted schooling)7. regional or remote disadvantage8. sole parent responsibilities. Other disadvantages may be considered in the selection process.
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	Award of other scholarships may be taken into consideration in selection process.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	Award of other scholarships may be taken into consideration in selection process.

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website: www.scholarships.unsw.edu.au

Through UNSW's Equity Scholarship program a large number of equity scholarships are available to assist students who are financially and educationally disadvantaged to undertake full-time undergraduate study at UNSW.

All Equity Scholarships at UNSW require students to experience financial disadvantage but when awarding scholarships UNSW may also consider factors such as:

- carer responsibilities
- English language difficulties
- long term medical/disability or ongoing effects of abuse
- regional or remote disadvantage
- sole parent responsibilities
- Indigenous Australians.

Most Institution Equity Scholarships offered by UNSW are for the minimum duration of the program (maximum 5 years unless otherwise stated). To continue receiving these scholarships students must maintain good academic standing which requires students to be enrolled full-time and pass 50 per cent of courses undertaken each semester.

You are still eligible for consideration of an Equity Scholarship at UNSW even if you're eligible to receive another scholarship for example:

- a Start-up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship
- a Commonwealth Scholarship; for example, Commonwealth Education Cost Scholarship
- a non-Government funded scholarship.

UNSW Vice-Chancellor's Equity Scholarships	
Duration: Up to 5 years	
Value: \$5,000 per annum	
No. available: 10	
Conditions of the scholarship: Must be entering first year of study in an undergraduate program at UNSW in 2012.	
Approved leave: You may be able to retain the UNSW Vice-Chancellor's Equity Scholarship if on approved leave.	
Payment: In 2012 you'll receive \$5,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year within 6 weeks of the relevant census date. The scholarship is for the duration of program (maximum 5 years). Payments after the first year are subject to students maintaining good academic standing. Visit www.my.unsw.edu.au for rules about academic standing at UNSW.	
Citizenship/residency: Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Australian citizens- Permanent residents of Australia.	
Level of study: Open to first year undergraduate students who are commencing at UNSW in 2012.	
Attendance: Must be a full-time student. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>	
Type of course: Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place. No deferments.	
Financial hardship: Must demonstrate financial hardship. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>	
Other disadvantages: When awarding this scholarship UNSW may also take into account whether the student is able to demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. carer responsibilities2. English language difficulty3. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse4. regional or remote disadvantage5. sole parent responsibilities6. Indigenous Australian.
Previous qualifications: You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you'll be enrolled in.	

UNSW Access Assist Scholarships	
Duration:	Up to 5 years
Value:	\$10,000 per annum
No. available:	22 (+ 3 for Indigenous students)
Conditions of the scholarship:	Must be entering first year of study in an undergraduate program at UNSW in 2012.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain this scholarship when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you will receive payments on a fortnightly basis over the academic year. The scholarship is for the duration of the program (maximum 5 years). Payments after the first year are subject to students maintaining good academic standing. Visit www.my.unsw.edu.au for rules about academic standing at UNSW.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - Permanent residents of Australia.
Level of study:	Open to first year undergraduate students who are commencing study at UNSW in 2012.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. (see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)
Type of course:	Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place. No deferments.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship. (see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)
Other disadvantages:	You must have submitted an Educational Access Scheme (EAS) application through UAC and be eligible for consideration under UNSW's ACCESS scheme. (see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage) Visit www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/eas/ for application details. For the disadvantages considered through EAS see 'Table 2' in the <i>EAS booklet</i> , visit www.uac.edu.au/undergraduate/eas/
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).

UNSW Vice-Chancellor's Alumni Appeal Equity Scholarships	
Duration:	As stated in the offer letter
Value:	\$5,000 per annum
No. available:	up to 15
Conditions of the scholarship:	Must be entering first year of study in an undergraduate degree at UNSW in 2012.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain this scholarship when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive payments on a fortnightly basis over the academic year. The scholarship is for the duration of the program (maximum 5 years). Payments after the first year are subject to students maintaining good academic standing. Visit www.my.unsw.edu.au for rules about academic standing at UNSW.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - Permanent residents of Australia.
Level of study:	Open to first year students who are commencing an undergraduate program at UNSW in 2012.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Type of course:	Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place. No deferments.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	When awarding this scholarship UNSW may also take into account whether the student is able to demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 4. regional or remote disadvantage 5. sole parent responsibilities 6. Indigenous Australian.
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).

UNSW Alumni Leaders Equity Scholarship in Business	
Duration:	Up to 3 years for a single degree or 5 years maximum for a combined degree
Value:	\$5,000 per annum
No. available:	1
Conditions of the scholarship:	Must be entering their first year of study in an undergraduate degree at the Australian School of Business at UNSW in 2012
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain this scholarship when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$5,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year within 6 weeks of the relevant census date. The scholarship is for the duration of program (maximum 3 years single degree and 5 years for a combined degree). Payments after the first year are subject to students maintaining good academic standing. Visit www.my.unsw.edu.au for rules about academic standing at UNSW.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - Permanent residents of Australia.
Level of study:	Open to first year students who are commencing an undergraduate program at the Australian School of Business in 2012.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Type of course:	Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place. No deferments.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	When awarding this scholarship UNSW may also take into account whether the student is able to demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 4. regional or remote disadvantage 5. sole parent responsibilities 6. Indigenous Australian.
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).
Other:	In addition to completing the application through UAC, eligible applicants may be invited to submit a statement addressing academic merit, commitment to program and evidence of leadership potential.

Mattick Scholarships in Business	
Duration:	Three-year duration for a single degree or for a five-year duration for a combined degree
Value:	\$5,000 per annum
No. available:	2
Conditions of the scholarship:	Must be entering their first year of study in an undergraduate degree at the Australian School of Business at UNSW in 2012.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain this scholarship when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$5,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year within 6 weeks of the relevant census date. The scholarship is for the duration of program (maximum 3 years single degree and 5 years for a combined degree). Payments after the first year are subject to students maintaining good academic standing. Visit www.my.unsw.edu.au for rules about academic standing at UNSW.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - Permanent residents of Australia.
Level of study:	Open to first year students who are commencing an undergraduate program at the Australian School of Business in 2012.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Type of course:	Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place. No deferments.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	When awarding this scholarship UNSW may also take into account whether the student is able to demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 4. regional or remote disadvantage 5. sole parent responsibilities 6. Indigenous Australian.
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).
Other:	In addition to completing the application through UAC, eligible applicants may be invited to submit a statement addressing academic merit, commitment to program and evidence of leadership potential.

The Kosmos Asset Management Award in Economics	
Duration:	One year only
Value:	\$5,000 per annum
No. available:	1
Conditions of the scholarship:	Must be entering their first year of study in an undergraduate program of Bachelor of Economics (BEc) at UNSW in 2012.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain this scholarship when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$5,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year within 6 weeks of the relevant census date.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - Permanent residents of Australia.
Level of study:	Open to students commencing their first year of study in an undergraduate program of Bachelor of Economics (BEc) at UNSW in 2012.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Type of course:	Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place. No deferments.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	When awarding this scholarship UNSW may also take into account whether the student is able to demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 4. regional or remote disadvantage 5. sole parent responsibilities 6. Indigenous Australian.
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award.
Other:	In addition to completing the application through UAC, eligible applicants may be invited to submit a statement addressing academic merit, commitment to program and evidence of leadership potential.

Juris Doctor Equity Scholarships	
Duration:	Up to 3 years
Value:	\$10,000 per annum
No. available:	2
Conditions of the scholarship:	Continuing students must maintain good standing.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain this scholarship when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$10,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year within 6 weeks of the relevant census date. The scholarship is for the duration of program. Payments after the first year are subject to students maintaining good academic standing. Visit www.my.unsw.edu.au for rules about academic standing at UNSW.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - Permanent residents of Australia.
Level of study:	Must be commencing in a Juris Doctor degree.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they are able to demonstrate exceptional circumstances which prevent them from studying full time. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Type of course:	Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place or a domestic fee-paying place. No deferments.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	When awarding this scholarship UNSW may also take into account whether the student is able to demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 4. regional or remote disadvantage 5. sole parent responsibilities 6. Indigenous Australian.

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Equity Scholarships Scheme University of Newcastle (ESSUN) was established in 2004 to address concerns of barriers to participation in higher education, particularly among those students who are financially and educationally disadvantaged.

Equity Scholarships Scheme University of Newcastle (ESSUN) \$3,000 Scholarships	
Duration:	Up to 5 years
Value:	\$3,000 per annum
No. available:	100 +
Conditions of the scholarship:	Continuing students must have and maintain a grade point average of 3.0 per semester.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave. A scholar may apply in writing for a suspension of the scholarship benefit because of illness, injury or other extenuating circumstances. An application must be supported by appropriate documentary evidence. Periods of approved suspension shall not reduce the tenure of the scholarship.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$3,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year within 4 weeks of the relevant census date.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).
Level of study:	Must be enrolled in any undergraduate program or a graduate diploma (or equivalent postgraduate course of study) required for initial registration to practise in a profession.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they are able to demonstrate that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full-time. See 'Part-time study – exceptional circumstances' section on page 59 for more information.
Type of course:	Open to students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place or a domestic fee-paying place.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate low socio-economic status by either being in receipt of a means-tested Commonwealth income support payment (precluding Austudy, ABSTUDY and Youth Allowance) or on the basis of a comprehensive assessment.
Other disadvantages:	University of Newcastle will generally prioritise students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. financial hardship 4. Indigenous Australian 5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 6. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 7. regional or remote disadvantage 8. sole parent responsibilities.
Previous qualifications:	Not applicable.
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012. You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You're eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012.

telephone: 1300 362 006 (University of Sydney helpline)
(02) 8627 8450 (Scholarships Office)

email: scholarships.reception@sydney.edu.au

website: www.sydney.edu.au/scholarships

When you study at the University of Sydney you become a member of one of the most vibrant and diverse academic communities in the world.

We know that students who overcome disadvantage can achieve excellent results at university, especially with support from the university. University of Sydney's Equity Scholarships assist academically gifted students with demonstrated financial disadvantage to pursue their tertiary education. The University of Sydney has Equity Scholarships available for any undergraduate degree and for some postgraduate degrees.

When awarding Equity Scholarships, the University gives preference to academically gifted students who:

- are currently financially disadvantaged
- have financial difficulties due to a disability or rural disadvantage, or
- expect to be financially disadvantaged whilst at university.

The University also considers educational disadvantages such as disability, remote or regional disadvantage, carer's or parental responsibilities, refugee status or other disadvantages and may award a University of Sydney Equity Scholarship on the basis of one or more of these disadvantages.

Equity Scholarships are open to applicants who meet the eligibility requirement listed below.

University of Sydney Access Scholarships	
Duration:	For the length of your degree
Value:	\$6,000 per annum
No. available:	160
Conditions of the scholarship:	Continuing students must have and maintain an annual average mark of 65.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you will receive \$6,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year within 2 weeks of the relevant census date. The scholarship is for the normal full-time length of your agreed degree plus an optional Honours year. Payments after the first semester are subject to your continued eligibility.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - New Zealand citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).
Level of study:	Must be an undergraduate student.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. This scholarship can be held part-time; payment will be halved for students enrolled on a part-time load. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Type of course:	Open to students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place or a domestic fee-paying place.
Financial hardship:	While preference is given to applicants who can demonstrate that they meet financial hardship criteria, scholarships may be awarded outside of this requirement. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	The University of Sydney will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. financial hardship 3. Indigenous Australian 4. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 5. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 6. regional or remote disadvantage 7. sole parent responsibilities.
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012 and the value of the other scholarship/s is more than \$6,000 a year.

The V. John Plummer Scholarships in Economics and Business	
Duration:	For the length of your degree
Value:	\$6,500 per annum
No. available:	3
Conditions of the scholarship:	Continuing students must have and maintain a grade point average of 65 per semester over a standard loading of 24 credit points.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$6,500 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year within 2 weeks of the relevant census date. The scholarship is for the normal full-time length of your agreed degree. Payments after the first semester are subject to your continued eligibility.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - New Zealand citizens - Permanent residents of Australia.
Level of study:	Must be an undergraduate student.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. Requests to hold the scholarship part-time will only be approved under exceptional circumstances such as a medical condition which limits the student's capacity to undertake full-time study. Such requests must be approved by the University of Sydney Business School. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Type of course:	Open to students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place or a domestic fee-paying place in a degree under the administration of the Business School.
Financial hardship:	While preference is given to applicants who can demonstrate that they meet financial hardship criteria, scholarships may be awarded outside of this requirement. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	The University of Sydney will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. financial hardship 2. long-term medical condition/disability 3. regional or remote disadvantage.
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012 and the value of the other scholarship/s is more than \$6,000 a year.

Wigram Allen Scholarship for the Juris Doctor	
Duration:	One year only
Value:	\$6,000 per annum
No. available:	1
Conditions of the scholarship:	Continuing students must have and maintain good academic standing.
Approved leave:	No leave available.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$6,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year within 4 weeks of the relevant census date. The scholarship is for 1 year only but successful applicants are eligible to reapply for a second scholarship in subsequent years.
Citizenship/residence:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - New Zealand citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).
Level of study:	Must be commencing in a Juris Doctor degree.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. Requests to hold the scholarship part-time will only be approved under exceptional circumstances such as a medical condition which limits the student's capacity to undertake full time study. Such requests must be approved by the Sydney Law School. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Type of course:	Open to students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place or a domestic fee-paying place.
Financial hardship:	While preference is given to applicants who can demonstrate that they meet financial hardship criteria, scholarships may be awarded outside of this requirement. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	The University of Sydney will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. financial hardship 3. Indigenous Australian 4. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 5. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 6. regional or remote disadvantage 7. sole parent responsibilities.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012 and the value of the other scholarship/s is more than \$6,000 a year.

Bruton Educational Trust Scholarship	
Duration:	For the length of your degree
Value:	\$10,000 per annum
No. available:	1
Conditions of the scholarship:	Students must maintain an annual average mark of 75.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$10,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year within 2 weeks of the relevant census date. The scholarship is for the normal full-time length of your agreed degree plus an optional Honours year. Payments after the first are subject to your continued eligibility.
Citizenship/residence:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - New Zealand citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).
Level of study:	Must be an undergraduate student.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. This scholarship can be held part-time, payment will be halved for students enrolled on a part-time load. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Type of course:	Open to students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place or a domestic fee-paying place.
Financial hardship:	Applicants who can demonstrate that they meet financial hardship criteria. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	The University of Sydney will award the Bruton Scholarship to students who demonstrate: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. financial hardship 2. regional or remote disadvantage. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012 and the value of the other scholarship/s is more than \$6,000 a year.

Walter & Eliza Hall Scholarships	
Duration:	One year only
Value:	\$6,000 per annum
No. available:	1 for Nursing; 1 for Social Work
Conditions of the scholarship:	Continuing students must have and maintain good academic standing. Successful applicants' details will be provided to the Walter & Eliza Hall Trust.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$6,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year within 2 weeks of the relevant census date.
Citizenship/residence:	Open to: - Australian citizens.
Level of study:	Must have successfully completed at least 48 credit points of study in the relevant faculty; that is, either Nursing or Social Work.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. Requests to hold the scholarship part-time will only be approved under exceptional circumstances such as a medical condition which limits the student's capacity to undertake full-time study. Such requests must be approved by the Scholarships Office. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Type of course:	Open to students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place or a domestic fee-paying place.
Financial hardship:	While preference is given to applicants who can demonstrate that they meet financial hardship criteria, scholarships may be awarded outside of this requirement. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	The University of Sydney will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. financial hardship 3. Indigenous Australian 4. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 5. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 6. regional or remote disadvantage 7. sole parent responsibilities.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You're not eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012 and the value of the other scholarship/s is more than \$6,000 a year.

Blooms the Chemist – John Sidgreaves Scholarship	
Duration:	One year only
Value:	\$5,000 per annum
No. available:	1
Conditions of the scholarship:	Only available to fourth year students who have maintained a credit average throughout the first 3 years of the Bachelor of Pharmacy degree. The Faculty of Pharmacy will contact shortlisted applicants to submit a statement of their commitment to community pharmacy.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive a one-off payment of \$5,000. Payment will be made after the relevant census date.
Citizenship/residence:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - New Zealand citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian) - Temporary, student or visit visa holders - None of the above and resident outside Australia.
Level of study:	Must be entering the fourth and final year of the Bachelor of Pharmacy degree.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. Requests to hold the scholarship part-time will only be approved under exceptional circumstances such as a medical condition which limits the student's capacity to undertake full-time study. Such requests must be approved by the Faculty of Pharmacy.
Type of course:	Open to students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place or a domestic fee-paying place.
Financial hardship:	While preference is given to applicants who can demonstrate that they meet financial hardship criteria, scholarships may be awarded outside of this requirement.
Other disadvantages:	The University of Sydney will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. financial hardship 3. Indigenous Australian 4. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 5. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 6. regional or remote disadvantage 7. sole parent responsibilities.

University of Sydney Bridging Course Scholarships	
Duration:	One-off payment for the bridging course
Value:	\$300 – \$400 as per the actual cost of the bridging course
No. available:	25
Conditions of the scholarship:	This scholarship is only available to students who enrol in an undergraduate program in the University of Sydney
Payment:	The payment will be made directly to the Faculty on your behalf, once confirmation of enrolment in the relevant bridging course is received by the Scholarships Office, University of Sydney.
Citizenship/residence:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - New Zealand citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).
Level of study:	Must be an undergraduate student.
Type of course:	Mathematics, Chemistry, Physics or Biology Bridging Courses.
Financial hardship:	While preference is given to applicants who can demonstrate that they meet financial hardship criteria, (see <i>Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage</i>) scholarships may be awarded outside of this requirement.
Other disadvantages:	The University of Sydney will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: (see <i>Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage</i>) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. financial hardship 3. Indigenous Australian 4. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 5. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 6. regional or remote disadvantage 7. sole parent responsibilities.
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award.

Rural Sustainability Scholarships

Duration: For 2 or 3 years

Value: \$10,000 over 2 or 3 years.

No. available: Up to 10

Conditions of the scholarship: Short-listed applicants will be contacted by the Faculty of Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources and will be required to submit a written statement to support their passion for sustainability, and may be requested to attend a telephone or in-person interview.

Students are expected to maintain a credit average for the duration of the degree program.

Approved leave: Requests for leave will only be approved under exceptional circumstances such as a medical condition which limits the student's capacity to undertake study. Such requests must be approved by the Faculty of Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources.

Payment: If taken as a College bursary, payment is \$5,000 per year for 2 years, if taken as direct payment Year 1: \$5,000, Year 2: \$3,000, Year 3: \$2,000. Payment is made after the HECS census date each semester.

Citizenship/residence: Open to:

- Australian citizens
- New Zealand citizens
- Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian)
- Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).

Level of study: Must be an undergraduate student.

Attendance: Must be a full-time student. Requests to hold the scholarship part-time will only be approved under exceptional circumstances such as a medical condition which limits the student's capacity to undertake full-time study. Such requests must be approved by the Faculty of Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources.

Type of course: Open to students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place or a domestic fee-paying place.

Financial hardship: Applicants who can demonstrate that they meet financial hardship criteria.
(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)

Other disadvantages: This scholarship is awarded to applicants who face:
(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)

1. regional or remote disadvantage.

Previous qualifications: You're **not** eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).

Environmental Sustainability Scholarships	
Duration:	For 3 years
Value:	\$10,000 over 3 years.
No. available:	Up to 10
Conditions of the scholarship:	Short-listed applicants will be contacted by the Faculty of Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources and will be required to submit a written statement to support their passion for sustainability, and may be requested to attend a telephone or in-person interview. Students are expected to maintain a credit average for the duration of the degree program.
Approved leave:	Requests for leave will only be approved under exceptional circumstances such as a medical condition which limits the student's capacity to undertake study. Such requests must be approved by the Faculty of Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources.
Payment:	Payment is as follows Year 1: \$5,000, Year 2: \$3,000, Year 3: \$2,000. Payment is made after the HECS census date each semester.
Citizenship/residence:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - New Zealand citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).
Level of study:	Must be a commencing Bachelor of Environmental Systems student.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. Requests to hold the scholarship part time will only be approved under exceptional circumstances such as a medical condition which limits the student's capacity to undertake full-time study. Such requests must be approved by the Faculty of Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Type of course:	Open to students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place or a domestic fee-paying place.
Financial hardship:	Applicants who can demonstrate that they meet the financial hardship criteria. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).

telephone: (02) 9514 2527 Scholarships Office
email: scholarships@uts.edu.au
website: www.uts.edu.au/study/scholarships/

UTS is aware of the financial challenges that many students face and offers various kinds of financial assistance.

UTS allocates Equity Scholarships to applicants who demonstrate financial hardship. UTS also considers educational disadvantages such as membership of a specific equity group and/or significant, adverse personal circumstances.

UTS Diversity Access Scholarships	
Duration:	One semester
Value:	\$550 – \$2,200
No. available:	300
Approved leave:	No leave available.
Payment:	The scholarship is valued at between \$550 and \$2,200 and is allocated either per semester, paid after the census date, or per year as two equal payments subject to ongoing eligibility criteria.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - New Zealand citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian) - Temporary, student or visit visa holders.
Level of study:	Open to undergraduate and postgraduate students.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they are able to demonstrate that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full time. See 'Part-time study – exceptional definitions' section on page 59 for more information.
Type of course:	Open to students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place or a domestic fee-paying place.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship. (see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)
Other disadvantages:	UTS may award this scholarship to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: (see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. financial hardship 4. Indigenous Australian 5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 6. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 7. regional or remote disadvantage 8. sole parent responsibilities.
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012.

UTS Vice-Chancellor's Merit Scholarships	
Duration:	Duration of undergraduate course
Value:	\$12,500 per annum
No. available:	5
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES in exceptional circumstances.
Conditions of scholarship:	See UTS website: www.uts.edu.au/study/scholarships
Offer:	Scholarship offer will be made directly by UTS in mid-December 2011 by phone and email.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$12,500 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year within 4 weeks of the relevant census date.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - New Zealand citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).
Level of study:	Open to undergraduate students who are applying as current school leavers.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Type of course:	Open to students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	UTS may award this scholarship to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. financial hardship 4. Indigenous Australian 5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 6. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 7. regional or remote disadvantage 8. sole parent responsibilities.
Open to:	First year undergraduate students who are current school leavers, with an ATAR of 90 or above, or equivalent. Applicants must complete the UAC online equity-scholarship application and the UTS specific application form for this scholarship. See UTS website for more information www.uts.edu.au/study/scholarships
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012. You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012.

Erik Dreikurs Scholarship	
Duration:	One year
Value:	\$6,000
No. available:	1
Offer:	Scholarship offer will be made directly by UTS in March 2012 by phone and email.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave.
Conditions of scholarship:	See UTS website: www.uts.edu.au/study/scholarships
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$6,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year within 4 weeks after the relevant census date.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - New Zealand citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian).
Level of study:	Open to enrolled undergraduate students who have completed at least one year of a Bachelor of Laws (single, combined or double degree).
Attendance:	Full-time and part-time students can apply. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	UTS may award this scholarship to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. financial hardship 4. Indigenous Australian 5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 6. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 7. regional or remote disadvantage 8. sole parent responsibilities.
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012.

John Heine Memorial Foundation Women in Engineering Scholarship	
Duration:	Five years
Value:	\$85,000 includes course tuition fees (over the duration of the scholarship).
No. available:	1 (awarded in years when funds are available).
Offer	Scholarship offer will be made directly by UTS in January 2012.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave.
Conditions of scholarship:	See UTS website: www.uts.edu.au/study/scholarships
Payment	See UTS website: www.uts.edu.au/study/scholarships
Citizenship/residency:	Open to Australian citizens only.
Level of study:	Open to first-year female undergraduate Engineering students.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Type of course:	Open to students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	<p>UTS may award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. financial hardship 4. female in non-traditional area of study 5. Indigenous Australian 6. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 7. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 8. regional or remote disadvantage 9. sole parent responsibilities.
Open to:	<p>First-year female undergraduate Engineering students. Applicants must complete the UAC online equity scholarship application and the UTS specific application form for this scholarship. See UTS website for more information www.uts.edu.au/study/scholarships</p>
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	<p>You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012.</p> <p>You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.</p>
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	<p>You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012.</p>

Linden Little Equity Scholarship	
Duration:	Two years
Value:	\$13,500 per annum
No. available:	1
Offer	Scholarship offer will be made directly by UTS in January 2012.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain your IES when on approved leave.
Conditions of the scholarship:	See UTS website: www.uts.edu.au/study/scholarships
Payment:	See UTS website: www.uts.edu.au/study/scholarships
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian citizens - New Zealand citizens - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian) - Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).
Level of study:	Open to first-year female undergraduate Engineering students who are current school leavers.
Attendance:	Must be a full-time student. However, part-time students will be considered if they are able to demonstrate that exceptional circumstances prevent them from studying full-time. See 'Part-time study – exceptional circumstances' section on page 59 for more information.
Type of course:	Open to students enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship and/or other disadvantages listed below.
<i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>	
Other disadvantages:	UTS may award this scholarship to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria:
<i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. female in non-traditional area of study 4. financial hardship 5. Indigenous Australian 6. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 7. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 8. regional or remote disadvantage 9. sole parent responsibilities.
Open to:	First-year female undergraduate Engineering students. Applicants must complete the UAC online equity scholarship application and the UTS specific application form for this scholarship. See UTS website for more information www.uts.edu.au/study/scholarships
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship in 2012.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving another type of Commonwealth Scholarship in 2012; for example, Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship.
Receiving non-Government funded scholarships:	You may be eligible for consideration if you'll be receiving one or more other non-Government funded scholarship/s in 2012.

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website: www.uws.edu.au/scholarships

The University of Western Sydney (UWS) has a proud tradition of broadening access to education for the residents of Greater Western Sydney. One of its main features is a multi-campus teaching base that ensures higher education is both accessible to students and responsive to their work, family and lifestyle commitments.

Opportunity, excellence and access continues to be a core commitment, strengthened by the University's philosophy of ensuring that individuals and groups who might not otherwise enjoy the benefits of higher education, have the opportunity to do so. It is with this in mind that UWS remains dedicated to making higher education accessible for those most in need of assistance.

The University's 'Making the Difference' scholarship initiative has been developed specifically for people who might otherwise face obstacles to gaining a university education: prospective and current UWS students with outstanding academic ability from disadvantaged financial backgrounds, students from rural and regional backgrounds, students with a disability, mature-age students and Indigenous students.

UWS Opportunity Scholarships

Duration: Four years

Value: \$5,000 per annum

No. available: To be determined.

Conditions of the scholarship: Continuing students must have and maintain a grade point average of 4.0 per semester. School Leavers must have an ATAR of 80 or above.

Approved leave: You may be able to retain this scholarship when on approved leave.

Payment: In 2012 you'll receive \$5,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year within 4 weeks of the relevant census date.

Citizenship/residency: Open to:

- Australian citizens
- Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (other than humanitarian)
- Permanent residents of Australia other than New Zealand citizens (humanitarian).

Level of study: Must be an undergraduate student.

Attendance: Open to full-time and part-time students.

(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)

Type of course: Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place.

Financial hardship: Must demonstrate financial hardship and/or other disadvantages.

(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)

Other disadvantages: University of Western Sydney will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria:
 (see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)

1. carer responsibilities
2. English language difficulty
3. financial hardship
4. Indigenous Australian
5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse
6. refugee status (disrupted schooling)
7. regional or remote disadvantage
8. sole parent responsibilities.

Previous qualifications: You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).

Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships: You may hold one UWS-funded scholarship and one UWS donor-funded scholarship in conjunction with a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship for semester 1, 2012.

UWS Indigenous Achievement Scholarships	
Duration:	Five years
Value:	\$5,000 per annum
No. available:	To be determined.
Conditions of the scholarship:	Continuing students must have and maintain a grade point average of 4.0 per semester.
Approved leave:	You may be able to retain this scholarship when on approved leave.
Payment:	In 2012 you'll receive \$5,000 divided into 2 equal payments, paid each half-year within 4 weeks of the relevant census date.
Citizenship/residency:	Open to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Australian Aboriginals or Torres Strait Islanders.
Level of study:	Must be an undergraduate student.
Attendance:	Open to full-time <u>and</u> part-time students. <i>(see Table 6 Full-time study definitions)</i>
Type of course:	Must be enrolled in a Commonwealth-supported place.
Financial hardship:	Must demonstrate financial hardship and/or other disadvantage. <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i>
Other disadvantages:	University of Western Sydney will generally award scholarships to students who demonstrate multiple disadvantages under the following criteria: <i>(see Table 2 Descriptions of educational disadvantage)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. carer responsibilities 2. English language difficulty 3. financial hardship 4. Indigenous Australian 5. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse 6. refugee status (disrupted schooling) 7. regional or remote disadvantage 8. sole parent responsibilities.
Previous qualifications:	You're not eligible for consideration if you already hold a bachelor degree or higher level award unless the award you hold is a prerequisite to the course you're enrolled in (or will be enrolled in).
Receiving Australian Government funded scholarships:	You may hold one UWS-funded scholarship and one UWS donor-funded scholarship in conjunction with a Start-Up Scholarship and/or Relocation Scholarship for semester 1, 2012.

Commonwealth Scholarships (CS) for Indigenous applicants

You're not eligible for an Indigenous CS if you:

- aren't an Indigenous person
- aren't financially disadvantaged
- aren't an Australian citizen or holder of a permanent humanitarian visa
- are a New Zealand citizen
- are an international fee-paying (IFEE) student
- are enrolled or will be enrolled in 2012 in a domestic fee-paying (DFEE) place
- are enrolled or will be enrolled part-time in 2012 (unless there are exceptional circumstances which prevent you from studying full-time, for example, you have a disability or significant carer responsibilities)
- have completed the requirements of a course of study equivalent to or higher than an Australian bachelor's award, unless each such award is a prerequisite to your:
 - current undergraduate course of study, or
 - graduate diploma (or equivalent postgraduate course of study) in an area of National Priority required for initial registration to practise in the chosen National Priority area;and there is no alternative pathway into that course of study at your university
- have already received a CS for the maximum duration.

What are Indigenous Commonwealth Scholarships?

Commonwealth Scholarships (CS) assist Indigenous students from low socio-economic backgrounds, who are Australian citizens, with costs associated with higher education.

These scholarships:

- don't count as income for any social security test
- will be allocated to eligible applicants on a competitive basis
- don't need to be repaid.

CS information in this booklet is based on the Commonwealth Scholarships Guidelines. Go to the following link for more information: <http://www.deewr.gov.au/highereducation/programs/student-support/commonwealthscholarships/>

Value and duration of CS

There are five types of CS, the values for 2012 are:

Types of CS	2012 value	Duration
Indigenous Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship	\$2,377 (indexed annually)	up to four years
Indigenous Commonwealth Accommodation Scholarship	\$4,754 (indexed annually)	up to four years
Indigenous Enabling-CECS	\$2,377 (indexed annually)	up to one year
Indigenous Enabling-CAS	\$4,754 (indexed annually)	up to one year
Indigenous Access Scholarship (IAS)	\$4,485	once in a lifetime

Maximum duration of CS

The maximum duration you can have access to one or more CS is for a total of eight scholarship periods (see 'Common terms and abbreviations' section on page 60).

Students accessing Indigenous Enabling-CECS or Indigenous Enabling-CAS scholarships who progress to an undergraduate course are excluded from this provision and can have access to one or more CS for a total of 10 scholarship periods.

CS and income support payments

CS are exempt from the Social Security and Veterans' Affairs income tests, as stated in the *Social Security Act 1991*, paragraph 8(8)(zja). You can find the Act at www.comlaw.gov.au; from the home page select the Key resources tab; then select Social Security Act 1991.

However, some state government policies may require the income from the CS to be included when calculating income support payments (eg rental assistance for state government housing, etc).

CS and taxation

If you're a student receiving full-time education at a school, college or university, your scholarship will be exempt from taxation subject to certain exceptions: *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*, section 51-10(2.1A).

For further information, contact the ATO enquiry line on 13 28 65.

Table 3: Basic eligibility requirements for CS for Indigenous applicants

To be eligible for CS you must meet **all** of the requirements in items 1–5, plus the requirements in item 6 for the relevant scholarship.

Conditions	Requirements
1 Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander status	You must be an Indigenous person. A person will be considered to be an Indigenous person for the purpose of a CS where the person: 1 is of Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent, and 2 identifies as an Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, and 3 is accepted as an Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander in the community in which he/she lives or has lived.
2 Citizenship and residency	You must be an Australian citizen or holder of a permanent humanitarian visa.
3 Low socio-economic status requirements	You must demonstrate financial hardship either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ through receiving a Centrelink (or other Commonwealth) means-tested income support payment (such as Austudy, ABSTUDY, Youth Allowance, etc), or ■ by providing comprehensive information demonstrating exceptional financial hardship.
4 Study load	You must be enrolled, or about to commence study, as a full-time student see (a) and (b) below for exceptions. Check 'Table 6: Full-time study definitions' on page 59 to see how institutions define 'full-time'. (a) Exceptional circumstances: Your institution may accept exceptional circumstances that prevent you from studying full-time, such as disability or significant carer responsibilities. See <i>Part-time study – exceptional circumstances</i> on page 59 for more information. (b) Part-time enabling course: Students can enrol on a part-time basis in an eligible enabling course. However: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ they'll only be eligible to be considered for an Indigenous–CECS; they won't be eligible to receive an IAS or an Indigenous–CAS ■ they won't automatically be entitled to receive an Indigenous–CECS but are subject to a competitive process as are other eligible commencing students.
5 Previous qualifications	You mustn't have completed the requirements of a course of study equivalent to or higher than an Australian bachelor's award, unless each such award is a prerequisite to your: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ current undergraduate course of study, or ■ graduate diploma (or equivalent postgraduate course of study) in an area of National Priority required for initial registration and there is no alternative pathway into that course of study at your institution. (DEEWR Guidelines for Commonwealth Scholarships, effective 1 January 2010 state that a CS is intended primarily for students undertaking an initial qualification [2.10.1(7)(f)].)
6 Enrolment	To be eligible for an Indigenous–CECS or an Indigenous–CAS , you must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ be enrolled, or about to commence study, in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – an undergraduate course of study (not limited to areas of National Priority), or – a graduate diploma (or equivalent postgraduate course of study) in an area of National Priority required for initial registration to practise in the chosen National Priority area ■ be enrolled as a Commonwealth-supported student for that course of study ■ meet the additional CAS eligibility requirements for an Indigenous–CAS (see page 51). To be eligible for an Indigenous Enabling–CECS or an Indigenous Enabling–CAS you must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ be enrolled, or about to commence study, in an eligible enabling* course ■ be enrolled as a Commonwealth-supported student for that course of study ■ meet the additional CAS eligibility requirements for an Indigenous Enabling–CAS (see page 51). To be eligible for an Indigenous Access Scholarship you must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ be enrolled, or about to commence study, in an eligible enabling* course or undergraduate course. * Check 'Table 5: Commonwealth Scholarships for Indigenous students in an eligible enabling course', page 54.

You must meet all the above requirements by the first census date of the scholarship period (see *Common terms and abbreviations* on page 60).

Evidence of Aboriginality

If you're an Australian Aboriginal or a Torres Strait Islander, you must provide evidence of your Aboriginality by one of the methods below:

- 1 provision of your Centrelink Customer Reference Number (CRN) to enable UAC to confirm that you are currently receiving ABSTUDY
- OR

- 2 by the correct completion of the 'Declaration' – Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. At the end of your Equity Scholarships Online application you will print this declaration if your answers indicate that you may need to complete and return this declaration.

If your Aboriginality is questioned, you'll be asked to provide further evidence.

Additional requirements for Indigenous–CAS and Indigenous Enabling–CAS Scholarships

CAS are open to:

- commencing and continuing Indigenous students from regional and remote areas of Australia who have a demonstrated current financial hardship
- and
- who had to (or will have to) relocate to undertake their current higher education course of study.

In addition to the basic eligibility requirements for a CS, to be eligible for a CAS you must also meet the following **four** requirements:

- 1 It was, or will be, necessary for you to:
 - a) move from a regional or remote area of Australia (see *Regional or remote classification* below) to be able to undertake your higher education study,
 - or
 - b) remain in a major city in order to undertake your higher education study, if you moved away from a regional or remote area of Australia to complete all or most of your secondary schooling at a high school or college in a major city.
- 2 You've incurred, or will incur, additional accommodation costs as a result of having to move.
- 3 In 2012, you'll be enrolled as an internal student ¹, unless you can demonstrate the need to move ².
- 4 Within the four years immediately preceding the commencement of your current higher education course of study ³ you must have satisfied **one** of the following **four** requirements:
 - a) lived in a regional or remote area of Australia for at least three years,
 - or
 - b) completed your final two years of schooling in a high school or college in a regional or remote area of Australia,
 - or
 - c) moved away from a regional or remote area of Australia to complete all or most of your secondary schooling at a high school or college in a major city; and it was/will be necessary for you to remain in a major city in order to undertake your course of study,
 - or
 - d) lived in a regional or remote area of Australia for a total of at least two years, and you relocated from the regional or remote area of Australia to undertake vocational education and training (eg TAFE) for a maximum of two years' duration immediately preceding the commencement of your undergraduate course.

¹ An internal student is a student who, for the majority of units of study in which they're enrolled in the scholarship period, is required to attend regular classes on campus.

² For the purpose of determining the necessity for you to move, you should normally be enrolled as an internal student to be deemed eligible for CAS unless you can demonstrate that there are exceptional circumstances preventing you from doing so, including, but not limited to the following:

- a) the need for you to attend classes or access other study-related facilities on the campus at which you're enrolled with the eligible scholarship provider or a host provider approved by the eligible scholarship provider through a cross-institutional arrangement
- b) the distance from your home to the relevant campus
- c) the availability and quality of transport infrastructure between your home and the relevant campus
- d) limitations on your mobility due to disability and/or carer responsibilities.

³ In this context 'current higher education course of study' means:

- for continuing students – the course in which you are currently enrolled and intend to enrol in for Semester 1, 2012
- for commencing students – the course to which you have applied for admission and intend to enrol in for Semester 1, 2012.

Regional or remote classification

Your permanent residence postcode will be used in the first instance to assess whether you've relocated from a regional or remote area.

The CS guidelines advise that the Australian Standard Geographic Classification Remoteness Areas (ASGC RA) classification system be used as a guide for the following:

- RA1 – Major Cities of Australia
- RA2 – Inner Regional Australia
- RA3 – Outer Regional Australia
- RA4 – Remote Australia
- RA5 – Very Remote Australia.

The Commonwealth Scholarships Guidelines advise that:

A provider must deem a student ineligible if they have come from a locality belonging to the Major City classification (RA1).

The Australian Standard Geographic Classification Remoteness Areas (ASGC RA) classification system can be accessed at: www.doctorconnect.gov.au/

You can use this tool as a guide for your postcode.

CS for Indigenous applicants – payments and conditions

Components of study undertaken overseas or through cross-institutional arrangements

Students who undertake a program of study (a) overseas or (b) with an institution that's been approved by their institution through a cross-institutional arrangement as a Commonwealth-supported student, won't be precluded from accessing the scholarship during this period, so long as the program of study is approved by their institution and will count towards the course requirements in which the student is enrolled. Students must continue to meet scholarship eligibility requirements during this period.

Transfer of a CS to another institution

If you hold a CS at one institution, apply for and receive an offer of admission to a different institution, your CS won't be automatically transferred.

You must apply through UAC where you'll be assessed for a CS in accordance with each institution's selection criteria. An institution may award a CS for the remainder of the duration of your CS.

If you've received part of a CS at another institution you must declare any previous CS support you've received when you accept your CS for semester 1, 2012.

Payments

Indigenous–CECS and Indigenous–CAS

Your institution will make payments directly to you as soon as practicable after the first census date (set by each institution). You'll receive 50 per cent of the total annual value of the CS in each six-month period.

Indigenous Enabling–CECS and Indigenous Enabling–CAS

Your institution will make payments directly to you. You'll receive 50 per cent of the value of the scholarship as soon as practicable after your first course-start date. You'll receive the remaining 50 per cent in the six-month period following your first course-start date, provided you meet all of the eligibility criteria.

If you enrol in an enabling course that is six-months or less in duration, you'll only receive 50 per cent of the value of the scholarship.

Ongoing eligibility requirements

In order to maintain ongoing eligibility for your CS you must:

- maintain satisfactory academic progress, according to your institution's policy
- continue to meet eligibility requirements described in 'Table 3: Basic eligibility requirements for CS for Indigenous applicants' page 50 as relevant to the CS awarded to you and provide documentary evidence to support your ongoing eligibility when requested.

It's your responsibility to advise your institution of any changes to your circumstances that would make you ineligible for your CS.

Approved leave

Institutions may approve requests from students to retain their CS when they're on approved leave – check 'Table 4: CS for Indigenous Applicants – institution policies for approved leave' on page 53.

Provision of false information

If UAC or any participating institution knows or has reason to believe that a student receiving a CS has provided false or misleading information, UAC, on behalf of the institution/s, is required to re-assess the student's entitlement to the CS. Also, UAC must notify the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) of the suspected offence and provide DEEWR with a copy of the student's application and any other relevant information requested by DEEWR.

Being eligible, doesn't guarantee a scholarship

Meeting the scholarship eligibility criteria doesn't guarantee that you'll be awarded a scholarship. There are limited Equity Scholarships and there are more applicants than scholarships. As part of a competitive application process, you're ranked against the eligibility criteria, and institutions award scholarships to applicants who best meet the eligibility criteria.

If you're unsuccessful it doesn't mean that you're not in need; rather, it means that there are other applicants who've been assessed as being in greater need.

**Table 4: Commonwealth Scholarships (CS) for Indigenous applicants
– institution policies for approved leave**

<i>Institution</i>	<i>Retain CS when on approved leave?</i>
Australian Catholic University	Yes – up to 12 months
Australian National University	Yes – subject to conditions
Charles Sturt University	Yes – up to 12 months
La Trobe University	Yes – up to 12 months
Macquarie University	Yes – up to 12 months
Southern Cross University	Yes – up to 12 months
University of New England	Yes – up to 12 months
University of New South Wales	Yes – up to 12 months
University of Newcastle	Yes – only in exceptional circumstances
University of Sydney	Yes – up to 12 months
University of Technology, Sydney	Yes – only in exceptional circumstances
University of Western Sydney	Yes – up to 12 months
University of Wollongong	Yes – up to 12 months

Apply directly to the University of Canberra for Indigenous Commonwealth Scholarships.

Key

Retain CS when on approved leave?

- Yes** Students can retain their CS if they've been granted approved leave by the institution. The institution may specify a maximum period – see above.
- No** Students may re-apply for a scholarship in a subsequent year if they resume studies at the institution at a later date.

Table 5: Commonwealth Scholarships for Indigenous students in an eligible enabling course

Commonwealth Scholarships are available to Indigenous students applying to or enrolled in an eligible enabling course. These scholarships are referred to as **Indigenous Enabling-CECS** and **Indigenous Enabling-CAS**.

Five institutions are offering these scholarships through UAC in semester 1, 2012; see table below for the institutions and their eligible enabling courses.

You'll be considered for these scholarships for the 2012 main scholarship offer round:

- if you're currently enrolled in an eligible enabling course and you meet the eligibility requirements described in 'Table 3: Basic eligibility requirements for CS for Indigenous applicants' on page 50

or

- if you're applying for, and receive an offer to, an eligible enabling course listed below that is open for semester 1, 2012 admission **and** you meet the eligibility requirements described in 'Table 3: Basic eligibility requirements for CS for Indigenous applicants' on page 50.

An eligible enabling course is as defined in Schedule 1 of the *Higher Education Support Act 2003*, plus it must:

- be at least 10 weeks long
- provide a pathway into an undergraduate course.

It must not be aimed at fast-tracking an undergraduate degree.

Part-time enabling course

Students can enrol on a part-time basis in an eligible, enabling course, subject to approval by the institution. However:

- they'll only be eligible to be considered for an Indigenous-CECS; they won't be eligible to receive an IAS or an Indigenous-CAS
- they won't automatically be entitled to receive an Indigenous-CECS but are subject to a competitive process as are other eligible, commencing students.

<i>Institution</i>	<i>Eligible enabling courses</i>	<i>Open for 2012 admissions</i> X = no ✓ = yes	<i>How to apply for admission to these courses</i>
Southern Cross University	Preparing for Success Program	✓	Applications for this course are made directly to the university – visit www.scu.edu.au and click on 'how to apply' for details. For course information, visit www.scu.edu.au/courses and look under preparation courses.
University of New England	TRACKS – Tertiary Preparation Program (Indigenous Students only) – on-campus or off-campus, full-time, one year program	✓	Applications for this course are made directly to the university. For information and an admission form, visit www.une.edu.au/oorala/tracks.htm
University of New South Wales	Business Pathways Diploma in Humanities Diploma in Science, Engineering and Technology	✓ ✓ ✓	Applications for this course are made directly to the university. For further information, visit www.nuragili.unsw.edu.au/programs.htm For further information, call Nura Gili at UNSW on (02) 9385 3805.
University of Newcastle	Newstep – full-time, one year (80 units) Open Foundation – full-time intensive, one semester (40 units) (full year part-time) YAPUG (Indigenous enabling program) – full-time, one year (80 units)	✓ ✓ ✓	Applications for this course are made directly to the university. For further information, visit www.newcastle.edu.au/students/foundation-studies/
University of Wollongong	Special Tertiary Entry Program (STEP to UOW) University Access Program (UAP)	✓	Applications for this course are made directly to the university. For more information, visit www.wca.uow.edu.au/domestic/uow/mature/index.html

General information – FAQs

What's a Centrelink (or other Commonwealth) means-tested income support payment?

Centrelink (or other Commonwealth) means-tested income support payments are subject to an income and assets test.

Check www.centrelink.gov.au/internet/internet.nsf/payments/pay_iat.htm for information about Centrelink (or other Commonwealth) means-tested income support payments.

Note: Family Tax Benefit Part A and Part B are **not** income and assets tested payments.

How can I maximise my chances of getting a scholarship?

Complete all questions relevant to you in Equity Scholarships (ES) Online. After you've submitted your application:

- print your confirmation of application and check it carefully. If you have made a mistake in your application, email equity@uac.edu.au
- print your Scholarship Document Package, which will be automatically produced if you have to provide supporting documents
- provide your supporting documents within **seven working days** of submitting your ES online.

For example, if you mention in your application that you have a long-term medical condition or disability, you must submit **correctly verified** copies of documents confirming these circumstances.

What does 'correctly verified' mean?

See pages 56–57 for information about how to correctly verify your documents.

Why do I need to provide so many documents?

It's necessary to provide the documents requested:

- to verify that you're eligible
- to assist in ranking your application in relation to other applications.

The requirements of my course mean that I have to study overseas for part of the course. Can I still receive my scholarship payment whilst I'm overseas?

Yes. As long as the overseas component is approved by your institution and it counts towards the requirements of the course you're enrolled in.

Why are there two definitions of regional and remote disadvantage?

One definition is for Commonwealth Scholarships for Indigenous applicants, funded by the Australian Government (see page 10) and is set by the government in the Commonwealth Scholarship Guidelines.

The other definition is for non-Indigenous applicants being considered for Institution Equity Scholarships (IES) which are funded by individual institutions. Institutions have agreed on a separate definition of 'regional' and 'remote' disadvantage for non-Indigenous applicants. (see page 9).

How do I get an Equity Scholarship (ES) application number and PIN?

Your ES application number and PIN are automatically generated as part of the ES online application immediately after you've entered your personal details and contact information. A pop-up box will appear displaying your application number and PIN.

You must make a note of these numbers, as you will need them to access the outcome of your scholarship application.

I have missed the seven-day deadline for submitting my supporting documents – what can I do?

UAC will make very effort to assess all supporting documentation submitted before institutions make their scholarship offers, but cannot guarantee the assessment of documents submitted outside the required time frame.

I'm not currently receiving a Centrelink means-tested income support payment but expect to receive one in the near future – can I still apply for financial hardship?

Yes, you should apply under the *Predicted means-tested income support* section of the ES online application if you expect to receive an income support payment either, on or before the relevant Census date for the institution at which you're/you'll be enrolled.

Providing documents – FAQs

Do I need to provide any documents with my application?

- You must supply documentary evidence where requested within seven working days of submitting your Equity Scholarships Online application.
- If you don't supply complete and correctly verified documentation within seven working days of applying, your application won't be assessed.
- You must send verified copies of documents.

Photocopies

So that your ES application can be assessed correctly, ensure that all photocopied documents that you submit are:

- legible
- easy to read, especially visas and stamps with dates
- correctly verified.

I have documents from overseas. What do I need to provide?

If your official documents aren't in English, you must supply verified copies of the following documents:

- the document in the original language
- an English translation of these documents (see below for organisations who can translate your documents).

Your documents must be translated by one of the following:

- Community Relations Commission for a Multicultural NSW Level 8, Stockland House, 175 Castlereagh Street, Sydney 2000
tel: 1300 651 500 (Tollfree)
www.crc.nsw.gov.au
- a translator accredited by the National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters Ltd (NAATI)

The translator must be accredited as at least a 'professional translator' (previously known as Level 3). Translated documents must display the official NAATI stamp provided to qualified translators; the stamp shows the level of accreditation and the direction in which they're accredited to translate

A list of NAATI-accredited translators in Australia and some overseas locations is available at www.naati.com.au
- interstate office of either the Ethnic Affairs Commission or the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC)
- Australian diplomatic missions or Australian Educational Centres
- some major banks; you'll need to check with specific banks.

Check under FAQs on UAC's website for other acceptable translations.

What does 'correctly verified' mean?

'Correctly verified' means that your original document has been sighted and the copy has been sworn to be a true copy of the original by one of the authorised people mentioned below.

Documents not verified or not verified correctly

UAC isn't permitted to process:

- documents verified by a Justice of the Peace without a registration number
- documents verified by an International Justice of the Peace
- documents that are just photocopies; that is, not verified
- documents that haven't been correctly verified.

Who can verify copies of my documents?

You can take your original documents in person to UAC or the admissions office of the institution. Your original documents will be copied and handed back to you. UAC will keep the copies with your application. The admissions office will give the copies to you to submit with your application to UAC. There may be a charge for copies made at some participating institutions.

You can also have your documents verified by someone from one of the categories listed below. The categories are for verification in Australia, New Zealand or overseas – check carefully which categories apply to you. The person who verifies your document/s must be contactable by telephone during normal working hours.

You can't verify your own documents, even if you belong to one of the categories listed below.

a) Documents verified in AUSTRALIA

Anyone who is currently employed as:

- an accountant – member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia, or CPA Australia, or the National Institute of Accountants, or the Association of Taxation and Management Accountants or Registered Tax Agents
- a bank manager, but not a manager of a bank travel centre
- a credit union branch manager
- a commissioner for declarations
- a barrister, solicitor or patent attorney
- a police officer in charge of a police station, or of the rank of sergeant and above
- a postal manager
- a principal of an Australian secondary college, high school or primary school.

An authorised officer at:

- Universities Admissions Centre (UAC)
- the Admissions Office or Student Services Office at any participating institution
- the Administration Office at any TAFE college
- Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC), Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC), South Australian Tertiary Admissions Centre (SATAC), Tertiary Institution Services Centre (TISC-WA)
- the official records department of the institution that originally issued the document/s.

A Justice of the Peace with a registration number.

Copies verified by a Justice of the Peace without a registration number won't be accepted.

To find a Justice of the Peace in your area, check the public register of JPs available online from the NSW Attorney-General's Department at www.lawlink.nsw.gov.au

b) Documents verified in NEW ZEALAND

Anyone who is currently employed as:

- an accountant – member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants New Zealand
- a bank manager, but not the manager of a bank travel centre
- a credit union branch manager
- a barrister, solicitor or patent attorney
- a police officer in charge of a police station, or of the rank of sergeant and above
- a postal manager
- a principal of a New Zealand secondary college, high school or primary school.

An authorised officer at:

- the Admissions Office or Student Service Office at any New Zealand university or institute of technology
- the official records department of the institution that originally issued the document/s
- an Australian overseas diplomatic mission or Australian Educational Centre.

Copies verified by a New Zealand Justice of the Peace will NOT be accepted.

c) Documents verified OVERSEAS (except New Zealand)

An authorised officer at:

- the official records department of the institution that originally issued the document/s
- an Australian overseas diplomatic mission or Australian Educational Centres.

How should the authorised officer verify each document?

The authorised officer must:

- write 'I certify this to be a true copy of the document shown and reported to me as the original'
- sign
- print their name, address, contact number, profession or occupation or organisation and date verified
- include the official stamp or seal of the verifier's organisation on the copy, if the organisation has such a stamp.

In addition, a Justice of the Peace must also print:

- their registration number
- the state in which they're registered as a Justice of the Peace.

Can I send original documents to UAC?

We recommend that you don't send original documents to UAC.

Note: Any documents you provide to UAC can be returned to you, but you will have to pay a fee. If the documents relate to the current admissions period, the fee is \$37. If the documents relate to a previous admissions period (up to five years), the fee is \$54.

To have your documents returned to you, write to UAC stating your ES application number and enclosing a cheque or money order for the relevant fee.

I have documents under another name. Do I need to provide any documents as evidence of my previous name?

If you have documents under a previous name, you must supply documentary evidence to prove your change of name, such as a marriage certificate, deed poll registration or other registration with the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages.

The documentation must show your previous name/s and your current name/s. Without this documentation, your application may be delayed.

Remember!

When you apply online you'll be given instructions about what documents you need to supply.



It's your responsibility to provide the necessary documentation in support of your application **within seven working days** of applying.

Documents not verified or not verified correctly

UAC is not permitted to process:

- documents verified by a Justice of the Peace without a registration number
- documents verified by an International Justice of the Peace
- documents that are just photocopies (ie not verified)
- documents that haven't been correctly verified.

Declaration and authority

You must read and accept all conditions in the following declaration and authority before submitting your 2012 Equity Scholarships online application. This is a printed version of the declaration and authority you must agree to online.

Your application cannot be considered unless you or your authorised agent accept these conditions.

- 1 I declare that all the information submitted is true and complete.
- 2 I declare that I have read and understand the UAC Privacy Policy on UAC's website at www.uac.edu.au/general/privacy.shtml
- 3 I authorise UAC to verify any information provided by me.
- 4 I authorise Centrelink to electronically provide a statement of information to UAC to assist in the assessment of my 2012 Equity Scholarships application. I understand that the information provided by Centrelink may include, where relevant, current or historical details of payments received, dependants, Centrelink deductions, income, assets and confirmation of my current address.

I understand that this authority relates to my 2012 Equity Scholarships application, and that if I am awarded a scholarship it may be used by the awarding institution to review and verify my ongoing eligibility for my scholarship, which may be done through UAC.

I understand that this authority can be revoked at any time by giving notice to UAC or the awarding institution.

I understand that I will be able to obtain a written copy of the statement at any time from either UAC or Centrelink.

I understand that a brochure is available from Centrelink that provides more details about the Centrelink Confirmation eServices; the brochure is also on Centrelink's website at www.centrelink.gov.au
- 5 I authorise UAC to provide all information and documents provided and/or obtained in connection with this application to any institution to which I have made application for an Equity Scholarship.
- 6 I authorise UAC to collect, receive, store, transfer and use any information provided by me, or any information obtained in connection with this application, and to disclose such information to all participating institutions, Universities Australia (UA)¹, UA member institutions, the members of the Australasian Conference of Tertiary Admissions Centres (ACTAC), and any other authority or tertiary educational institution either in Australia or overseas, where UAC reasonably considers it is necessary to make such disclosure.
- 7 I understand that UAC may disclose the personal information I have given in this application to the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR), or its successor, for the purposes of administering the Commonwealth Scholarships program, and that DEEWR will disclose that information to Centrelink for the purposes of administering the Relocation scholarships and Student Start-up scholarships.
- 8 I understand that UAC and the participating institutions have the right to vary or cancel an Equity Scholarships application and/or application for admission or an enrolment made on the basis of what UAC or a participating institution determines to be untrue or incomplete information from any source.
- 9 I understand that institutions make Equity Scholarships offers based on the information provided by me and on advice received from UAC. If a participating institution subsequently finds that the information or advice was incorrect, it may withdraw the offer.

¹ Universities Australia was previously known as the Australian Vice-Chancellor's Committee.

Confidentiality

All information provided by applicants is treated as confidential according to UAC's Privacy Policy and institution privacy statements. Only authorised personnel at UAC and/or institutions will have access to your application. Your personal information can only be released to a third party in special circumstances, such as where the law requires it, or where you give permission. Read UAC's Privacy Policy at www.uac.edu.au/general/privacy.shtml

Table 6: Full-time study definitions

You must be enrolled as a full-time student to be eligible for a Commonwealth Scholarship (CS) for Indigenous students, unless there are exceptional circumstances that prevent you from studying full-time; for example, you have a disability or significant carer responsibilities (see 'Part-time study – exceptional circumstances' section below).

Some institutions specify that you must be enrolled as a full-time student to be eligible for their Institution Equity Scholarships (IES) – check institution entries for details of other requirements – see pages 11–48.

In column (a) below each institution has provided its definition of an equivalent full-time study load (EFTSL).

To be considered a full-time student you must be undertaking a study load that is equivalent to at least 75 per cent of EFTSL – see column (b).

If your course load falls below 75 per cent of a normal full-time load, your eligibility status will be reviewed. You will **not** be eligible to retain your CS unless there are exceptional circumstances that prevent you from being a full-time student.

<i>Institution</i>	<i>(a) EFTSL</i>	<i>(b) 75 per cent of EFTSL</i>
Australian Catholic University	40 credit points a semester	3 or more 10-point units a semester
Australian National University	24 units a semester	18 units a semester
Charles Sturt University	32 credit points a session	24 credit points a session
La Trobe University	60 credit points a semester	45 credit points a semester
Macquarie University	11.5 or more credit points a semester	8.5 credit points a semester
Southern Cross University	48 credit points a semester	36 credit points a semester
University of Canberra	12 credit points a semester	9 credit points a semester
University of New England	24 credit points a trimester	18 credit points a trimester
University of New South Wales	24 units of credit a semester	18 units of credit a semester
University of Newcastle	40 units a semester	30 units a semester
University of Sydney	24 credit points a semester	18 credit points a semester
University of Technology, Sydney	24 credit points a semester	18 credit points a semester
University of Western Sydney	40 credit points a session	30 credit points a session
University of Wollongong	24 credit points a session (depending on degree program)	3-year degree program – 18 credit points a session 4-year or more year degree program – contact institution

Part-time study – exceptional circumstances

Students should be mindful that:

- to be eligible for a CS for Indigenous students you must be studying full-time unless there are exceptional circumstances
- using the information you provide in your 2012 Equity Scholarships Online application, institutions will apply their own policies to assess your eligibility for a CS if you are studying part-time
- some institutions use this information in awarding their IES – check institution entries
- if you are unable to study full-time in 2012 as a consequence of course structure constraints at your institution, attach an explanatory statement and, where applicable, attach a current copy of your academic record.

Part-time enabling course

Students can enrol on a part-time basis in an eligible enabling course, subject to approval by the institution. However:

- they will only be eligible to be considered for an Indigenous–CECS; they won't be eligible to receive an IAS or an Indigenous–CAS
- they won't automatically be entitled to receive an Indigenous–CECS, but are subject to a competitive process as are other eligible commencing students.

Common terms and abbreviations

Approved leave

Students who are on approved leave of absence have interrupted their studies by not enrolling for a semester or longer period, but intend to return to their course in a later year.

Census date

The date on which all your enrolment requirements must be finalised.

Commonwealth-supported place (CSP)

A place in a course to which the Australian Government contributes towards the cost. Formerly called HECS.

Commonwealth-supported students

Students for whom the Australian Government contributes towards their study costs. These students pay student contributions.

Continuing students

Students who have an active enrolment at a participating NSW or ACT institution (ie students who are currently enrolled or on approved leave of absence from their higher education studies).

CS

Commonwealth Scholarships.

Current higher education course of study

In this context 'current higher education course of study' means:

- **For continuing students** – the course in which you are currently enrolled and intend to enrol in semester 1, 2012
- **For commencing students** – the course to which you have applied for admission and intend to enrol in semester 1, 2012.

Deferment

Permission to delay starting a course, usually for one year.

DEEWR

Commonwealth Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

Direct applicants

People who apply for admission directly to one or more universities (ie don't apply for admission through a tertiary admissions centre), are considered to be direct applicants.

If you're a direct applicant for admission, ES online will ask you to provide your application or reference number given to you by the institution when you applied, if you don't have it you will need to provide information about the course you've applied for.

Domestic fee-paying students

Students who are Australian or New Zealand citizens or permanent residents of Australia who meet the entire cost of their studies through tuition fees.

Domestic fee-paying students who are receiving FEE-HELP are not in a Commonwealth-supported place.

Educational Impact Statement (EIS)

If your application for an Equity Scholarship includes a claim for consideration of a medical disadvantage, you'll need to arrange for an EIS to be completed by a responsible person who can comment on the impact your medical condition/disability has, or will have, on your studies.

Full-time study load

In respect of a scholarship, at least 75 per cent of an equivalent full-time study load (EFTSL) in the scholarship period for which the scholarship is being paid. Check 'Table 6: Full-time study definitions' on page 59.

HECS-HELP

A loan for eligible Commonwealth-supported students to pay their student contributions.

Indigenous

A person who is a member of the Aboriginal race of Australia or a descendant of the Indigenous inhabitants of the Torres Strait Islands.

Internal student

A student who, for the majority of units of study in which they're enrolled in the scholarship period, is required to attend regular classes on campus.

Medical Impact Statement (MIS)

If your application for an Equity Scholarship includes a claim for consideration of a medical disadvantage, you'll need to arrange for an MIS to be completed by a registered health professional who can comment on the impact your medical condition/disability has, or will have, on your studies.

Scholarship period

In respect of a Commonwealth Scholarship, a six-month period from either 1 January to 30 June or 1 July to 31 December.

Merit-based scholarships

In addition to Institution Equity Scholarships (IES), institutions also offer merit-based scholarships to prospective and current students.

Unlike IES, which are awarded to students experiencing financial and/or other forms of educational disadvantage, merit-based scholarships are awarded to applicants on a range of criteria such as:

- school examination results
- academic excellence
- Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR)
- course/faculty of study
- personal achievements such as:
 - leadership
 - creativity
 - self-motivation
 - communication skills
 - an outstanding ability in sport.

To find out more about merit-based scholarships visit the websites listed below.

You need to apply directly to individual institutions for merit-based scholarships.

Australian Catholic University

www.acu.edu.au/scholarships

Australian Maritime College

www.amc.edu.au/scholarships-commencing-and-current-students

Australian National University

www.anu.edu.au/sas/scholarships/

Canberra Institute of Technology

www.cit.act.edu.au/home/

Charles Sturt University

www.csu.edu.au/scholarships/

Griffith University

www.griffith.edu.au/scholarships

La Trobe University

www.latrobe.edu.au/scholarships/

Macquarie University

www.mq.edu.au/scholarships/

Southern Cross University

www.scu.edu.au/scholarships/

University of Canberra

www.canberra.edu.au/scholarships

University of New England

www.une.edu.au/scholarships/

University of New South Wales

www.scholarships.unsw.edu.au

University of Newcastle

<http://webapps.newcastle.edu.au/scholarships/index.cfm>

University of Sydney

www.sydney.edu.au/scholarships

University of Technology, Sydney

www.uts.edu.au/study/scholarships/

University of Western Sydney

www.uws.edu.au/scholarships

University of Wollongong

www.uow.edu.au/about/scholarships/index.html

Institution contact details

Australian Catholic University

tel: 1300 ASK ACU (1300 275 228)

email: scholarships@acu.edu.au
website: www.acu.edu.au/scholarships

Australian National University

tel: (02) 6125 7733 Student Fees and
Scholarships Office

email: coursework.scholarships@anu.edu.au
website: <http://www.anu.edu.au/sas/scholarships/index.php>

Charles Sturt University

tel: 1800 334 733 University (Freecall)
(02) 6051 9849 CSU Scholarship Office

email: scholarships.officer@csu.edu.au
website: www.csu.edu.au/scholarships/

La Trobe University

tel: (02) 6024 9790 Manager,
Student Administration AW

email: scholarships@latrobe.edu.au
website: www.latrobe.edu.au/scholarships/

Macquarie University

tel: (02) 9850 7337/ Scholarships Officer
(02) 9850 6401

email: csap@mq.edu.au
website: www.mq.edu.au/scholarships/

Southern Cross University

tel: 1800 626 481 University (Freecall)
(02) 6620 3313 Undergraduate Scholarships Officer

email: equityscholarships@scu.edu.au
website: www.scu.edu.au/scholarships/

University of Canberra

tel: 1300 301 727 Student Administration

email: scholarships@canberra.edu.au
website: www.canberra.edu.au/scholarships

University of New England

tel: (02) 6773 4444 Scholarships

email via: www.une.edu.au/askune
website: www.une.edu.au/scholarships/

University of New South Wales

tel: (02) 9385 1078 UNSW Scholarships

email: scholarships@unsw.edu.au
website: www.scholarships.unsw.edu.au

University of Newcastle

tel: (02) 4921 5000 Student Services
(02) 4921 6404 Scholarships Officer

email: scholarships@newcastle.edu.au
website: www.newcastle.edu.au/scholarships/

University of Sydney

tel: 1300 362 006 University of Sydney Helpline
(02) 8627 8450 Scholarships Office

email: scholarships.reception@sydney.edu.au
website: www.sydney.edu.au/scholarships

University of Technology, Sydney

tel: (02) 9514 2527 Scholarships Office

email: scholarships@uts.edu.au
website: www.uts.edu.au/study/scholarships/

University of Western Sydney

tel: 1300 897 669

email: study@uws.edu.au
website: www.uws.edu.au/study/scholarships

University of Wollongong

tel: 1300 ASK UOW Scholarships and Grants Unit
(1300 275 869) Academic Registrar's Division

email: scholarships@uow.edu.au
website: www.uow.edu.au/about/scholarships/



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