

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

To support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, Avondale is offering a number of scholarships to those applicants who meet the application details outlined below.

DETAILS

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Scholarship is worth \$1,500 per year for residential students and \$1,000 for non-residential students for each year of study in an Outdoor Leadership Vocational Education and Training (VET) course and up to four years in an undergraduate course. Maximum of \$6,000 for residential students or \$4,000 for non-residential students.

CONDITIONS

- 1 The Scholarship is available to **new** Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students enrolling in an undergraduate or Outdoor Leadership VET course;
- 2 Applicants are asked to provide contact details of a referee;
- 3 The recipient must undertake a study load of at least 18 credit points (3 units) or equivalent in an undergraduate or Outdoor Leadership VET course, per semester. Any approved cross-institutional study will be included when determining a student's study load for each semester. The scholarship will be discontinued the semester following one in which less than 18 credit points (3 units) are taken; however recipients may apply in writing to the Director, Student Administration Services for special consideration if there is a case of extenuating circumstances;
- 4 Continuance of the scholarship is contingent upon the recipient maintaining an academic status of 'Good Standing' by passing more than 50% of units in a semester;
- 5 The scholarship is not transferable;
- 6 Prior to commencing enrolment at Avondale, the scholarship cannot be deferred;
- 7 Once the student has commenced enrolment at Avondale the scholarship can only be deferred for up to one year. Recipients must notify Student Administration Services in writing if they wish to defer their scholarship;
- 8 The scholarship cannot be redeemed for cash, in part or in whole;
- 9 The recipient can only receive benefit from one Avondale scholarship per year;
- 10 The scholarship is awarded subject to the applicant meeting normal admission requirements;
- 11 All recipients should be of good standing in the community. Scholarships or part thereof may be revoked at the discretion of the Discipline Committee, where the recipient brings the name of Avondale into disrepute.

APPLICATION DETAILS

- 1 Students will apply on the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Students Scholarship Application form and return it to the Avondale Scholarship Office by **31 January** for the March intake, and prior to **15 July** for the August intake;
- 2 Applicants must provide a signed affirmation declaring that they identify as an Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander;
- 3 Applicants must provide confirmation in writing with the corporate seal from the chairperson of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander incorporated organisation in a community in which the applicant lives or has previously lived;
- 4 Applicants are to submit a statement of purpose (up to 200 words) outlining why they would like to study at Avondale, the course applied for, and why they would like this scholarship.
- 5 In some cases, Avondale will contact a person who knows the applicant well. Applicants are to provide the name and phone number of a referee, such as a school teacher, pastor or employer, who is willing to provide a character reference for them.

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AWARD PROCESS

- 1 Scholarship applications will only be processed for applicants who have also submitted an application to study at Avondale;
- 2 First round scholarship applications will be processed in the first week of February and offers will be made within 7 days; second round scholarship applications will be processed in the first week of March and applicants will be notified within 7 days;
- 3 Applications are to be submitted by **31 January**, or by **15 July** for students commencing in second semester.

EMAIL APPLICATION TO:

studentadmin@avondale.edu.au

OTHER SCHOLARSHIP ENQUIRIES

Phone: +61 2 4980 2377 or

Email: studentadmin@avondale.edu.au

Web: www.avondale.edu.au

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Name _____

Address _____

_____ Postcode _____

Phone Number (mobile or home) _____

Email _____

Referee

Name _____ Position _____

Email _____ Phone _____

If submitting multiple scholarship applications, please state your order of preference:

Please indicate which account you would like your scholarship applied to – (tick one box only)

 General Fees Account (This includes accommodation and/or miscellaneous expenses) Tuition Account

Any changes must be made in writing to Student Finance before census date.

Signature _____ Date _____

 I have attached a statement of purpose outlining why I would like to study at Avondale, the course I have applied for, and why I would like this scholarship. Tick to confirm that you have submitted an application to study at Avondale.