

UQ College Bridging Program Bursary terms and conditions

1. Definitions

In these rules:

- Bursary** means a bursary for students for commencement in Bridging Program 18 November to 13 December 2024.
- Domestic student** means a student who is an Australian or New Zealand Citizen or Australian Permanent Resident.
- Relevant program** means any full-time Bridging Program.

2. Purpose

The purpose of the bursary is to provide financial assistance for educational tuition fees and/or student accommodation costs to applicants from low Socio-Economic Status (SES) backgrounds, regional or remote areas, and/or Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origins

3. Value and duration of the bursary

The total bursary value is \$21,720.

Low SES

Two fully funded bursaries (\$1500 each) \$ 3,000

Two 50% funded bursaries (\$750 each) \$ 1,500

Regional or remote

Two fully funded bursaries (\$1500 each) \$ 3,000

Two fully funded bursaries (\$1500 each) plus accommodation (\$3360 each) \$ 9,720

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

Two fully funded bursaries (\$1500 each) \$3,000

Two 50% funded bursaries (\$750 each) \$ 1,500

Total \$ 21,720

The maximum duration of the bursary is one month and is only valid between 17 November to 13 December, 2024

4. Eligibility for bursary

An applicant is eligible for the bursary, if the applicant

- submits an application by the closing date for applications.
- is either an - (i) Australian citizen or Australian Permanent Humanitarian Visa Holder; or (ii) Australian Permanent Resident, New Zealand Citizen, who is completing or has completed Years 11 and 12 in Australia;

3. has either demonstrated they are (i) from a Low Socio Economic background, or (ii) live in a regional/remote area in Australia or (iii) identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
4. (i) will complete year 12 in the year of application; or (ii) has completed year 12 in the year preceding the year of application;
5. has achieved no grades below B (or equivalent) in their Year 12 subjects;
6. intends to enrol full-time in an Approved Program in the following year, or after an approved deferment of one year at UQ;
7. has not undertaken any previous tertiary study at Bachelor level or higher, other than studies in special university programs designed for secondary school students; and
8. has UQ listed as their 1st QTAC preference as at 19 December at 1:00pm.

5. Selection, offer and award of a bursary

1. The bursary is competitive and awarded on the recommendation of the awarding committee to applicants who, in the opinion of the awarding committee, show the greatest merit as demonstrated by academic performance, leadership and or contribution to their community
2. The scholarships are offered in rounds. A student will automatically be considered for a scholarship if they meet the eligibility criteria in **section 4** at the time of a bursary round.
3. A student will be notified by email if they have been offered a bursary.
4. A student who does not accept their bursary offer by the due date may not be considered for the bursary in future rounds.
5. Requests for an extension to the bursary will not be given.

6. Bursary conditions

1. Must accept their bursary by the 1 November 2024 and be enrolled in the UQ College bridging program by the 8 November 2024
2. Maintain a satisfactory progress throughout the Bridging Program
3. Maintain a 95% attendance rate to classes

If a recipient fails to satisfy rule 6(1, 2 and 3), the recipient must show cause why the bursary should not be refunded

7. Termination of bursary and request for a refund

UQC will terminate the bursary and request a refund if the student:

1. The recipient withdraws or ceases to attend the UQC Bridging Program other than for approved absences.
2. If a recipient fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements.
3. If incorrect, false, or misleading information is provided or relevant information is withheld.
4. If a recipient breaches academic or behavioural standards set by UQC and UQ under the Student Integrity and Misconduct Policy and the Student Charter.

7. Repayment of funds

1. Subject to the information available at the time, CEO of UQC may request that the payment for the semester in which the breach of conditions or withdrawal occurs, be refunded in part or in-full.

8. Appeals against award or termination of bursary

Appeals regarding the termination of the bursary should refer to the Student Complaints and Appeals Policy and Procedure. can be heard by the by the Senior Manager, Pathways, who may seek approval from the CEO of UQC