

Additional Scholarship and Study Assistance Opportunities

WorkUP Queensland is committed to building the capacity of individuals working in Queensland, to respond to domestic, family, and sexual violence, and women's health and wellbeing.

The list below provides examples of study support opportunities that may be available if:

- you are ineligible, or were unsuccessful in your application for a WorkUP scholarship; or
- were successful in receiving a WorkUP scholarship and are seeking additional study-related supports not included in the scholarship grant
- are considering, or have commenced study
- are exploring, commencing, or about to commence a student placement / work integrated learning within the specialist QLD domestic and family violence, sexual violence, and women's health and wellbeing sector

We encourage you to connect with your current / planned education provider, who is best placed to provide you with more information about options that can best support your studies.

Likewise, if you are already employed in a specialist service above and studying / planning to study, we encourage you to speak with your employer, who will be best placed to provide information relevant to your employment.

Please note: This list of study-related supports is NOT connected to The Healing Foundation or WorkUP Queensland.

We wish you the best for your career in the sector!

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Scholarship/Assistance	Affiliation	Value	Eligibility
University Scholarships			
Dr Cherrell Hirst AO Learning Potential Fund Scholarship	Queensland University of Technology	\$5,000 1 year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Experiencing financial difficultiesIdentify as femaleIntending to enrol, or enrolled in, a health or justice undergraduate degree
Dace Dambergs Social Work Scholarship		\$5,000 cash payment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Enrolled in B Social Work; BSW (Honours), B Behavioural Science / BSW (double); Master of Social WorkEnrolled as a domestic fee-paying studentAged at least 25From a non-English speaking background (European, African, Asian, Central or South American, Papua New Guinea, Pacific Islands), refugee background or Indigenous Australian.
CQUniversity Research Stipend Scholarship (Career Interruption Award)	Central Queensland University	\$35,000 Up to 3 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Intends to enrol, or enrolled in full-time first- or second-year postgraduate research degreeHave experienced a break in study of five or more years to undertake caring responsibilities
CQUniCares Emergency Grant		Case-by-case value Once Off	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Enrolled in CQUniversity certificate, undergraduate or postgraduate programSuccessfully completed one term of studyExperiencing financial difficulties
Access Fund - Scholarship	James Cook University	\$5,000 1 year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">First year, full-time studentExperiencing financial difficulties
Access Fund - Bursary		\$2,000 1 year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">First year, full-time studentExperiencing financial difficulties
Access Fund - Grant		\$1,000 1 year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Second year, full-time studentExperiencing financial difficultiesAcademic merit
First Nations University Scholarships			
Indigenous Commonwealth Scholarship	All participating universities	Please contact university directly	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Check universityThree main types available – education costs, relocation costs, reward
CQUniCares Emu Park Lions Club Scholarship	Central Queensland University	\$9,000 3 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Studies on the Capricorn Coast, QueenslandIntends to enrol, or enrolled in first year education or health degree
Walter & Eliza Hall Trust Opportunity Scholarship in Social Work	University of Queensland	\$10,000 4 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Current full-time BSW studentAcademic meritExperiencing financial difficulty
UniSC Indigenous Enabling Education Costs Scholarship	University of the Sunshine Coast	\$2500 2 semesters	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait IslanderEnrolled full-time in Tertiary Preparation Pathway at UniSC

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none">Experiencing financial difficulty
UniSC Indigenous Enabling Relocation Costs Scholarship		\$5000 2 semesters	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait IslanderEnrolled full-time in Tertiary Preparation Pathway at UniSCExperiencing financial difficultyRelocating from a rural, regional, or remote area to study at UniSC
Dr. Rustum Sethna Indigenous Social Work Bursary		\$2,000 1 semester	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Must have completed minimum two full-time semestersEnrolled full-time Bachelor Social WorkAcademic merit
Birthing on Country Placement Bursary	Southern Cross University	\$2500 1 year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Identify as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander personEnrolled/intending to enrol into a Midwifery Professional Experience at SCU
Birthing On Country Scholarship		\$10,000 1 year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Identify as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander personMeet entry requirements into Bachelor of Health and Human Sciences a SCUWilling to be based at either Gold Coast or Coffs Harbour campusCan attend rural/remote community placements
Philanthropic Scholarships			
Pinnacle Foundation Scholarship	The Pinnacle Foundation (national)	\$6,000-\$8,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Enrolled full time in higher educationAcademic merit18-27 years of ageIdentify as a member of the LGBTIQ+ community
Government Scholarships			
Commonwealth Prac Payment	Australian Government	Up to \$319.50 per week	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Includes social work students (nursing & midwifery)From JULY 2025Means tested
Relocation Scholarship	Australian Government	\$5,385 in first year Subsequent years subject eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dependent or Independent student for a specialist reason getting at least \$1 in Youth Allowance or ABSTUDYEnrolled in eligible course and meeting study rulesMoving to or from a regional or remote area in Australia to studyMoving away from home for an approved, compulsory regional placement (35-day rule applies)
Residential Costs Option	Australian Government	Subject to eligibility and circumstances	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Getting ABSTUDY Living Allowance OR ABSTUDY Pensioner Education SupplementApproved for a higher rate of ABSTUDY while living away from homeLiving in a residential college attached to an Australian education institution or in a hostelTertiary student
Humanities and Social Sciences Scholarships			
Laurie Hergenhan Scholarship in Australia Literary Studies	The University of Queensland	\$4,500 Per year	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Enrolled in a major, extended major or field of study in English Literature at UQFrom AUGUST 2025Domestic studentFinancial difficulties

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TAFE QLD also support eligible students with a range of concessions, loans, and scholarships to assist with the costs of study and training. Explore these options [here](#).