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# Vice-Chancellor's Excellence Scholarship

**Value**

The scholarship will have a maximum value of:

- $20,000 (32-unit degree), **or**
- $15,000 (24-unit degree).

The scholarship will be paid as a stipend per study unit, per study period.

**Eligibility**

The recipient must:

- be a domestic student currently residing in Australia
- have completed Year 12 in 2026
- have an unadjusted ATAR between 90.00 and 97.95
- have placed UniSQ as their first preference on their QTAC application at the time of offer
- be a commencing student
- be intending to enrol full-time at UniSQ in a bachelor's degree program prior to Friday 24 September 2027.

**Conditions**

- The duration of the scholarship is for a maximum (not inclusive of any leave of absence) of:
    - six years (32-unit degree), **or**
    - four years (24-unit degree).
- The scholarship will be forfeited if the recipient:
    - fails to continue to meet the eligibility criteria for the duration of the scholarship
    - does not enrol in and complete a minimum of 6 study units for any full academic year for the duration of the scholarship, unless exceptional circumstances prevent studying a minimum of 6 study units (refer to the **study load requirements** below for variations based on the commencement study period)
    - defers their program of study any later than Trimester 3 2027
    - takes more than 12 months total leave of absence
        - if a recipient takes leave for one trimester in an academic year, they must complete a minimum of 4 study units across the remaining two trimesters
        - if taking leave for two trimesters in an academic year, they must complete at least 2 study units in the remaining trimester
    - withdraws from study at UniSQ
    - fails to maintain a Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 5.0.

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- If the recipient undertakes cross-institutional studies, it is their responsibility to provide the Scholarships Office, via email study@unisq.edu.au immediately after census date, with evidence of:
    - confirmation of enrolment in the second institution (post census date); and
    - approval to undertake the study unit(s) from the appropriate UniSQ school.
- UniSQ reserves the right to alter the conditions of the scholarship.

**Study load requirements**

Recipients commencing at UniSQ in **Trimester 1 2027** must:

- enrol in and complete a minimum of 6 study units across the academic year, each year for the duration of the scholarship.

Recipients commencing at UniSQ in **Trimester 2 2027** must:

- enrol in and complete a minimum of 3 study units across Trimesters 2 and 3 2027; and then continue full-time enrolment (minimum 6 study units) across the academic year, each year for the duration of the scholarship.

Recipients commencing at UniSQ in **Trimester 3 2027** must:

- enrol in and complete a minimum of 2 study units in Trimester 3 2027; and then continue full-time enrolment (minimum 6 study units) across the academic year, each year for the duration of the scholarship.

**Please be mindful of program enrolment restrictions. We highly encourage recipients to follow the program's recommended enrolment pattern and enrol for the full year at the commencement of each academic year.*

**Payment**

- Payments are made approximately four weeks after the census date in Trimesters 1, 2 and 3 (as applicable).
- Payments will be credited to the recipient's bank account each year, for the duration of the scholarship, as follows:
    - Trimesters 1, 2 and 3 (as applicable) - $625 per study unit, per study period.
- The scholarship will be paid for cross-institutional study units undertaken if approval is granted from the appropriate UniSQ school.
- Payment of subsequent instalments will be subject to satisfactory progress in the recipient's study program. In the event the recipient does not continue to meet the scholarship eligibility criteria and conditions, they may be required to show cause why the scholarship should not be cancelled.

**Other opportunities**

Recipients may have the opportunity to participate in leadership and development programs as they are made available. Recipients will also have the opportunity to participate in the UniSQ Student Ambassador Program.