

# 2017 - Financial Support Bursary (Semester One) - Closed

**2017 - Financial Support Bursary (Semester One) is now closed.**

Status: **Closed**

Applications open: CLOSED

Applications close: CLOSED

## About this scholarship

### Description/Applicant information

The Financial Support Bursary is available to assist students experiencing financial hardship who either:

1. Do not currently hold another Curtin funded scholarship or grant

or

2. Hold an existing Scholarship or grant, however require additional assistance due to recent circumstances that have affected their finances

### Student type

- Current Students

### Faculty

- Curtin Business School
- Science & Engineering
- Centre for Aboriginal Studies
- Humanities
- Health Sciences

### Course type

- Undergraduate

### Gender

Non-gender specific

### Nationality

- Australian Citizen
- Australian Permanent Resident

- Permanent Humanitarian Visa
- New Zealand Citizen

### Scholarship base

- Need Based

### Value

The Financial Support Bursary will provide the following support as a one-off cash payment:

- Cash payment of between \$1,000 and \$2,000. The amount can be used at the recipient's discretion to contribute towards educational related expenses

### Eligible courses

All Undergraduate Degrees at Curtin University

Enabling courses and Associate Degrees will also be considered

### Eligibility criteria

Applicants must meet ALL of the following criteria to be considered for a Financial Support Bursary:

- Australian citizen, Australian permanent resident, the holder of an Australian permanent humanitarian visa or New Zealand citizen
- Enrolled full-time or part-time in an undergraduate degree, enabling course or associate degree at Curtin University in semester 1, 2017
- Experiencing financial hardship and either;
  1. Do not currently hold another Curtin funded scholarship or grantor
  2. Hold an existing scholarship or grant, however require additional assistance due to recent circumstances that have affected finances

### Conditions that need to be met to keep your scholarship

Unless there are **exceptional circumstances** such as, but not limited to, medical or family reasons, recipients must meet ALL of the following:

- Remain enrolled in an eligible course at Curtin University

### Changes to enrolment

**Withdrawal or Terminated from units or course:** A student who withdraws from their units or course of study, or has been terminated from studies will become ineligible for the bursary, will not receive the payment and will be required to repay to the University the stipend awarded if applicable.

## How to apply

### Application process

#### Step 1: Apply



- Application form can be accessed via 'My Studies' tab in OASIS or via the 'Apply Online' button on the top right-hand side of this page

**Step 2: Complete**

- Complete the application form online
- Application form can be saved at any point of the process
- Multiple scholarships can be applied for at one time
- Tips on how to complete your application can be found under the 'Application Advice' tab on the scholarships website

**Step 3: Submit**

- Closing date listed at top of page and within scholarships channel on OASIS
- Incomplete applications will not be assessed
- Once submitted, application status will change to *submitted*
- If you would like to withdraw your application to change it once it has been submitted, you will need to contact the Scholarships Office. The Scholarships Office will then send your application back to you to complete by the closing date. Please note: submitted application forms cannot be changed within one week of the scholarship closing date.

**Step 4: Receipt**

- Application receipt will be sent to student email once application has been submitted

**Step 5: Assessment**

- Applications will be assessed by an assessment panel using the following criteria:

- Responses to questions in application form
- Financial hardship

**Step 6: Outcome**

- Successful and unsuccessful applicants notified of outcome via Official Communications Channel within approx. 6-8 weeks of the scholarship closing date

**Step 7: Acceptance**

- Successful applicants must return acceptance documents by deadline listed in Official Communication

Please note:

- Scholarship will be awarded if there are applicants of sufficient need
- Scholarship will commence from first semester of study
- Scholarship is not transferrable to another major, course or university

## Need more information?

Enquiries

Scholarships Office

Email: [scholarships@curtin.edu.au](mailto:scholarships@curtin.edu.au)

Telephone: (08) 9266 2992

Fax: (08) 9266 3279

Frequently Asked questions:

<https://askcurtin.custhelp.com/app/answers/list/kw/scholarship>

Further information

For more information about what scholarships you can apply for please visit our [application profiles](#).

Students may apply for as many scholarships as they are eligible for however, will only be awarded up to one Curtin funded continuing scholarship. A continuing scholarship is defined as a scholarship that has more than two payments. A Curtin funded scholarship is a scholarship that is solely funded by Curtin.

For further information about holding more than one scholarship contact [scholarships@curtin.edu.au](mailto:scholarships@curtin.edu.au)

### **Centrelink**

For advice on your Centrelink payments and how your scholarship could affect your payment please see <http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/enablers/income> or contact a Centrelink Office. If you require a letter about your scholarship for Centrelink, please contact the Scholarships Office.

### **Taxation**

Generally scholarship money paid to full-time students is not treated as taxable income, however if your study load is less than 75 credits (part-time) your scholarship money is *not* tax exempt. Other than the full-time study requirement, the general rule is that scholarships are exempt from taxation unless:

- It is a condition of the scholarship that a recipient is required to undertake activities that are of use, help or benefit to the scholarship provider - then the student is rendering a service by agreeing to undertake those activities;
- An award is received by a student where the scholarship is not provided principally for educational purposes.
- During or upon completion of the degree for which the scholarship is awarded a recipient is required to become, or shall continue to be, an employee of the funding body; or

The Australian Tax Office has a [tool](#) to help you determine if your scholarship is taxable. For expert advice please contact the [Australian Taxation Office](#) or your accountant when completing your annual Tax Return. If a letter regarding your scholarship is required for taxation purposes, please [contact the Scholarships Office](#).

---