



2021 QUT STEM Scholars Academic Scholarship and QUT STEM Relocation Bursary

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Application close date: **20 November 2020**

Late applications will **not** be accepted under any circumstances

Scholarships Available	Value	Number available	Disciplines
QUT STEM Scholars Academic Scholarship	\$3,000		Science & Engineering Health
QUT STEM Relocation Bursary	\$1,500		As above
Total	\$4,500	Up to 10 x \$4,500 or more academic scholarship only if relocation bursaries are not required	

The **QUT STEM Scholars Academic Scholarship** supports high-achieving students that have participated in STEM Scholars programs (QUT STEM Camp or the High School STEM Internships) and are commencing an undergraduate degree within the Science and Engineering (SEF) or Health faculties at the Queensland University of Technology (QUT).

The **QUT STEM Scholars Relocation Bursary** offers additional support to STEM Scholarship recipients who must relocate from regional or remote areas to undertake study.

The QUT STEM Scholars Academic Scholarship and QUT STEM Scholars Relocation Bursary can be awarded as follows:

- QUT STEM Scholars Academic Scholarship (\$3000). Students must meet all eligibility criteria, with exception of the school location criteria.
- QUT STEM Scholars Academic Scholarship and STEM Scholars Regional Relocation Bursary (\$4500). Students must meet all eligibility requirements, including the school location criteria.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants must meet the following eligibility criteria.

Student are required to:

- be graduating Year 12 (or International Baccalaureate) OR have had no more than 1 gap year since graduating high school (or International Baccalaureate); and
- be starting a university undergraduate degree for the first time in 2021; and
- have placed a QUT Health or SEF course as first preference on their QTAC application; and
- have participated in and/or received a least one of the following:
 - QUT STEM Camp
 - QUT High School STEM Internships program
- enrol in a full-time Faculty of Health or Faculty of Science and Engineering degree (single or double) in semester 1 2021.

To be eligible for the **QUT STEM Relocation bursary** students must also have:

- completed Year 12 in a school outside the South-East QLD Catchment (Brisbane City Council, Gold Coast City Council, Ipswich City Council, Lockyer Valley Regional Council, Logan City Council, Moreton Bay Regional Council, Noosa Shire Council, Redland City Council, Scenic Rim Council, Somerset Regional Council, Sunshine Coast Regional Council); or
- be from a remote or regional area and attended boarding school within the South-East QLD Catchment.

Academic status

- ATAR 92.00 – 99.95 (or equivalent)

NOTE: OP adjustment schemes are not applied in the assessment of these scholarships.

Citizenship status

- Australian or New Zealand citizen; OR
- Permanent resident; OR
- holder of a Permanent Humanitarian Visa

SCHOLARSHIP OFFERS AND ACCEPTANCES

- Round 1 scholarship offers apply to the top applicants identified that fall within the designated scholarship quotas.
- Recipients must accept and enrol in a QUT course to receive this scholarship.

RETAINING THE SCHOLARSHIP

- Recipients wishing to take a break from study must apply for, and be granted, a leave of absence. After completing their first semester, students can take up to two years of leave from their course. Scholarship payments are suspended whilst a student is on approved Leave of Absence.
- In the event of special circumstances occurring while in the receipt of this scholarship, students must contact the University Scholarships Coordinator to discuss their situation (scholarships@qut.edu.au). Special circumstances will be taken into consideration to support individual variation to the scholarship retention requirements (supporting documentary evidence may be requested).

SCHOLARSHIP PAYMENT

- QUT STEM Academic Scholarships are valued at **\$3,000** and will be paid after the Census date in the first semester of study.
- QUT STEM Relocation Bursaries are valued at **\$1,500** and will be paid after the Census date in the first semester of study.
- While every care is taken to ensure direct payments of scholarship funds are correct, scholarships recipients are required to monitor payments and notify QUT if any over or under payments occur. If under payments occur, the balance will be paid to the student immediately. If over payments occur the scholarship recipient is required to advise QUT immediately and repay the overpaid amount.

OTHER INFORMATION

- This scholarship is bound by the Scholarship Concurrency Policy that determines whether certain scholarship combinations can be held concurrently by a student. This is a **Merit** scholarship. Refer to the table below.

To determine if more than one scholarship can be held, locate Scholarship Type A on the X axis and Scholarship Type B on the Y axis then slide down and across simultaneously to reach the concurrency decision for that scholarship combination. The scholarship type can be confirmed in the respective terms and conditions of the scholarship in question.

Scholarship A classification								
Scholarship B classification		Equity	Merit	Non-Academic	Co-operative	Industry	Bursary	Prize
	Equity	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Merit	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
	Non-Academic	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Co-operative	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
	Industry	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
	Bursary	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Prize	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

- Please note that Centrelink may include this scholarship entitlement in any means testing when assessing applications made for commonwealth assistance. Please check with Centrelink for a ruling on this issue when applying for commonwealth assistance.

GRIEVANCES

- Any grievances arising from the administration of this scholarship is governed by [E/9.2 Grievance resolution procedures for student related grievances](#) found in QUT's [Manual of Policy and Procedures](#).
- There is no appeals process available for this scholarship.

NOTE: Merit-based scholarships up to the value of \$8,223 per year are exempt from being treated as assessable income by Centrelink. More information about exempt income for Centrelink can be found here www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/enablers/income/#a5