

2025 Kellie van Meurs Memorial Scholarship

Terms and Conditions

Overview

The QUT Kellie van Meurs Memorial Scholarship is an industry scholarship valued at \$3,500.00, offered to current students in the Bachelor of Fine Arts (Creative Writing) course including double degrees or the Bachelor of Creative Industries, Creative Writing major course. This is provided to the student directly in the form funds transfer to their nominated bank account.

Purpose

The purpose of the QUT Kellie van Meurs Memorial Scholarship is to encourage and empower the potential of a creating writing student and provide support to complete their course.

1 Eligibility requirements

To be eligible for the Kellie van Meurs Memorial Scholarship, applicants must meet all the following requirements:

- 1.1 Must be in your first or second year of a Bachelor of Bachelor of Fine Arts (Creative Writing) course including double degrees or the Bachelor of Creative Industries, Creative Writing major course.
- 1.2 Must have completed a minimum of 48 credit points.
- 1.3 Must have obtained a minimum GPA of 4.5

All QUT scholarships and bursaries are governed by concurrency conditions, detailed within the governing terms and conditions related to the applicable scholarship or bursary.

2 Application and selection criteria

- 2.1 The Kellie van Meurs Memorial Scholarship requires an application form. Due to the specific nature of the scholarship, you must provide a statement outlining (approx. 2 pages):
 - (a) your commitment to the endeavour of creative writing and your involvement in the creative writing field and community more broadly;
 - (b) your current financial situation and how the scholarship could support financial need to complete your course;
 - (c) how this award would advance your career aspirations;
 - (d) CV or statement of personal attainment outlining any achievements in creating writing over recent years.
- 2.2 You may be invited to attend/ participate in an interview.

3 Value and payment of scholarship

3.1 The scholarship valued at \$3,500 will be paid after Census date in Semester 1, 2026.

3.2 Recipients are required to monitor payments and notify the Faculty of any over or under payments.

Where discrepancies in payment occur, students may be required to return the funds to the University.

3.3 Tax implications

QUT does not withhold PAYG tax from coursework scholarship payments. It is the recipient's responsibility to check the tax implications for your scholarship and personal circumstances. For advice on whether your scholarship is taxable, use the Australian Taxation Office's <u>scholarship</u> <u>decision tool</u>. Additional tax information can be obtained via <u>www.ato.gov.au/individuals</u>.

3.4 Centrelink

Please also note that Centrelink may include this scholarship entitlement in any means testing as a result of applications made for Commonwealth assistance. Please check the Centrelink site for information regarding exempt scholarships.

4 Conditions of scholarship

- 5.1 Students must remain admitted and enrolled in a course to receive their scholarship payment.
- 5.2 Students on the Kellie van Meurs Memorial Scholarship cannot concurrently receive another merit, cooperative, or industry scholarship, but are eligible to receive a bursary, prize, or equity scholarship, while being an industry scholarship recipient.
- 5.3 Student must provide a report at the conclusion of 2026 outlining the outcomes and impact of the Kellie van Meurs Memorial Scholarship.

5 Termination of scholarship

The University reserves the right to cease a scholarship in the following circumstances:

- 6.1 Failure to comply with the Conditions (4) of the scholarship.
- 6.2 Student behaviour that breaches the QUT Student Code of Conduct, where if proven would be regarded as student misconduct. The required standards of behaviour relate to policies regarding Academic integrity (MOPP C/5.3), QUT Code for responsible conduct of research (MOPP D/2.6), Acceptable use of information technology resources (MOPP F/1.11).

7 Grievances

- 7.1 Student may lodge a formal appeal arising from any scholarship matter through the <u>Appeals</u>

 <u>Committee.</u>
- 7.2 Any grievances related to the administration of scholarships is governed by <u>E/9.2 Grievance</u> resolution procedures for student related grievances, with QUT's Manual of Policy and Procedures.

8 Scholarship contact

The Kellie van Meurs Memorial Scholarship is administered by the Faculty of Creative Industries, Education and Social Justice. For any scholarships related inquiries please contact <u>ci.scholarships@qut.edu.au</u>.