



# 2022 QUT STEM Scholars Academic Scholarship and QUT STEM Relocation Bursary Terms and Conditions

## Overview

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, Engineering or Health faculties at the Queensland University of Technology (QUT).

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

## 1. Eligibility requirements

To be eligible for the STEM Scholars Academic and Relocation Scholarships, applicants must meet all the following requirements:

- 1.1. must be graduating Year 12 in 2021 (or International Baccalaureate) **OR** have had no more than one gap year since graduating high school (or International Baccalaureate)
- 1.2. must achieve an unadjusted ATAR of 92.00 or above
- 1.3. must be starting a university undergraduate degree for the first time
- 1.4. must nominate a QUT Health, Science or Engineering undergraduate degree as their first preference in the QTAC application process
- 1.5. must fall into **one** of the categories below,
  - an Australian or New Zealand citizen **OR** a permanent resident **OR** hold a permanent humanitarian visa.
- 1.6. Have participated in one of the following:
  - QUT STEM Camp
  - QUT High School STEM Internship program

To be eligible for the **QUT STEM Relocation Scholarship** applicants:

- 1.7. Must 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
- 1.8. be from a remote or regional area and attended boarding school within the South-East QLD Catchment.

## 2. Value and payment of scholarships

The **QUT STEM Scholars Academic Scholarship** is valued at \$3,000 and the **QUT STEM Relocation Bursary** is valued at \$1,500. These scholarships are

- 2.1. paid in full in the first semester of study. Payments are made by electronic transfer to their nominated bank account after the census date.
- 2.2. While every care is taken to ensure direct payments of scholarship funds are correct, scholarship recipients are required to monitor payments and notify the Young Accelerators team ([accelerators@qut.edu.au](mailto:accelerators@qut.edu.au)) if under or over payments occur.

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2.2.1 Where discrepancies in payment occur students may be required to return the funds to the university.

### 3. Term of scholarship

3.1. The term of the scholarship is restricted to Semester 1 only. Students receive their payment in Semester 1 irrespective of their enrolment (full-time or part-time) load.

### 4. Conditions of scholarship

- 4.1. Students must remain admitted and enrolled in a Health, Science or Engineering course to receive their scholarship payment.
- 4.2. Special circumstances will be taken into consideration to support individual variation to the conditions of scholarship, supporting documentary evidence may be requested. Student are encouraged to discuss their special circumstance with the Young Accelerators team by emailing them on [accelerators@qut.edu.au](mailto:accelerators@qut.edu.au).
- 4.3. Students on the STEM Scholars Academic Scholarship cannot concurrently receive another merit, cooperative, or industry scholarships, but are eligible to receive a Bursary, Prize, or an Equity Scholarship.

### 5. Termination of scholarship

A scholarship may be terminated in the following circumstances,

- 5.1. Failure to comply with the *Conditions of Scholarship* (Section 4).
- 5.2. Withdrawal from your course before the census date. Students are advised to access [Student Counselling](#) or the Faculty student services before withdrawing from their course.
- 5.3. This scholarship cannot be deferred.
- 5.4. 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 \(MOPP F/1.11\)](#)

### 6. Miscellaneous

#### 6.1. Grievances

- 6.1.1 Student may lodge a formal appeal arising from any scholarship matter through the [Appeals Committee](#)
- 6.1.2 Any grievances related to the administration of scholarship is governed by [E/9.2 Grievance resolution procedures for student related grievances](#), with QUT's Manual of Policy and Procedures.

#### 6.2. Tax implications

- 6.2.1 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 [scholarship decision tool](#). Additional tax information can be obtained via [www.ato.gov.au/individuals](http://www.ato.gov.au/individuals).

#### 6.3. Centrelink

- 6.3.1 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.

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**6.4. Scholarship contact**

6.4.1 STEM Scholars Academic and Relocation Scholarships are administered by the QUT Young Accelerators program. For any scholarships related inquiries please email [accelerators@qut.edu.au](mailto:accelerators@qut.edu.au).