



2022 QUT Sport Scholarship

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Overview

QUT Sport provides scholarships to developing and elite athletes across a wide range of sports by offering Sport Development Scholarship (\$5,000) and Elite Sport Scholarship (\$10,000 & \$20,000) to commencing and continuing students. Recipients of QUT Sport scholarships are provided additional support through their membership to the Elite Athlete program and into the College of Excellence.

QUT Sport utilises Sport Australia's [FTEM framework](#) to assist in identifying athletes and their level of development. We also work collaboratively with the Queensland Academy of Sport and Australian Institute of Sport as a member of the Elite Athlete Education Network (EAEN) and align our selection processes with industry athlete categorisation standards.

1. Eligibility requirements

To be eligible for the QUT Sport Scholarship, applicants must meet all the following requirements,

- 1.1 must be representing either an Australian State, National Sporting Organisation or Professional Player League in a sport recognised within Olympic/Paralympic, Commonwealth Games or Professional Player League disciplines.
- 1.2 must be actively training and competing in your sport in at least one event and/or been invited onto a representative team.
- 1.3 must provide a letter from the relevant sporting body verifying your performance is equal to or above one of the following;
 - 1.3.1 A level of performance development equal to a Talent 4 (T4) Athlete Categorisation utilising Sport Australia's FTEM framework
Note: For more information regarding the [FTEM Framework \(athlete categorisation in sport\)](#), or [National Categorisation Framework](#), please visit the Sport Australia website or contact your relevant sporting body.
 - 1.3.2 A **minimum of a current 'Emerging'** Athlete Categorisation with written verification from your National Sporting Organisation (NSO), State Institute/ State Academy support network (SIS/SAS) or National Institute Network (NIN).
- 1.4 must be an Australian citizen.
- 1.5 successfully completed the application and selection process.
- 1.6 submit a Curriculum Vitae detailing the last 24 months sporting representation and highest achievement obtained.

2. Value and payment of scholarships

There are three different types of QUT Sport Scholarships available:

- 2.1 Scholarships valued at up to \$20,000 are paid at \$10,000 per year (\$5,000 per semester) based on standard, full-time equivalent enrolment over the first four semesters of the nominated undergraduate course of study.
- 2.2 Scholarships valued at up to \$10,000 are paid at \$5,000 per year (\$2,500 per semester) based on standard, full-time equivalent enrolment over the first four semesters of the nominated undergraduate course of study.

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- 2.3 Scholarships valued at up to \$5,000 are paid at \$2,500 per year (\$1,250 per semester) based on standard, full-time equivalent enrolment over the first four semesters of the nominated undergraduate course of study.
- 2.4 Payments are made on a semesterly basis (per semester) after the census date, between week 6 and 7.
- 2.5 Student enrolled on a part-time basis will receive 50% of the standard payment
- 2.6 Payments will be subject to *Section 4 - Conditions of scholarship* being met with payments being suspended in circumstances set out in *Section 4* below.
- 2.7 Current QUT students awarded a Sport scholarship at the point where they have less than two years of full-time equivalent study remaining in their course should be aware that the full scholarship amount may not be received.
- 2.8 Students will receive scholarship payment by electronic transfer to their nominated bank account after the census date each semester.
- 2.9 While every care is taken to ensure direct payments of scholarship funds are correct, scholarship recipients are required to monitor payments and notify the Student Excellence Coordinator if any over or under payments occur.
 - 2.9.1 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 determined by the student's enrolment load, either full-time or part-time (e.g. two years for the \$20,000 award based on a full-time enrolment).
- 3.2 Students who change to a part-time enrolment will extend the term of the scholarship and will continue to be entitled to their scholarship until the full value of their scholarship is exhausted (except for current students, as described in 2.7 above), and subject to the conditions contained in *Section 4 - Conditions of scholarship* below.

4 Conditions of scholarship

- 4.1 Students must achieve a minimum course (accumulative) grade point average (GPA) of 4.50 in any given semester to maintain the scholarship for the next study period.
 - 4.1.1 Students whose course GPA drops below 4.50 are issued a notification that they are in breach of their scholarship condition but will continue to receive their payment for the next semester.
 - 4.1.2 If their course GPA remains below a 4.50 for the following semester, payment may be suspended until further notice.
 - 4.1.3 A third breach of the GPA condition may result in termination of the scholarship.
- 4.2 Students should be enrolled full time for the duration of studies to retain this scholarship. Students enrolled part-time in a semester may retain the scholarship with prior written approval from the Elite Athlete Officer – eliteathletes@qut.edu.au
- 4.3 Students must remain admitted and enrolled in a course to receive their scholarship payment.
- 4.4 Students are permitted to change their course and continue to receive this scholarship unless otherwise specified in the scholarship offer letter.
- 4.5 Scholarship payments are suspended whilst a student is on an approved Leave of Absence. After completing their first semester, students can apply for up to two years leave of absence from their course without impacting their scholarship.
- 4.6 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 [Elite Athlete Officer](#)/or [Student Excellence Coordinator](#).

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- 4.7 Scholarship recipients who withdraw from their studies prior to completion of the teaching period (i.e. no grades are recorded) may be required to return monies paid for the withdrawn units.
- 4.8 Students on a QUT Sport Scholarship cannot concurrently receive another merit, cooperative, or industry scholarships, but are eligible to receive a Bursary, Prize, or Equity Scholarship, while being an Excellence Scholarship recipient.
- 4.9 Recipients are required to represent QUT Sport at selected sporting events or appearances on two occasions per annum and/or assist QUT with key programs and/or sports functions. QUT Sport staff will provide recipients with the selected representative opportunities at the beginning of each semester to ensure appearances do not impact on training, competition, or academic schedules. In circumstances where athletes are competing within their sport and are unable to fulfill this requirement, sufficient evidence will be required and representation at a subsequent event within the same year will be compulsory.
- 4.10 QUT reserves the right to assess and revoke scholarships on a case-by-case basis where athletes choose not to fulfil representative requirements. Scholarships may also be revoked where recipients are no longer able to participate in their chosen sport.

5 Termination of scholarship

A scholarship may be terminated in the following circumstances,

- 5.1 Failure to comply with the conditions of the scholarship outlined in Section 4.
- 5.2 Withdrawal from your course. Students are advised to access Counselling services or the QUT Elite Athlete Officer before withdrawing from their course.
- 5.3 This scholarship cannot be deferred. Recipients must accept a QUT course offer and be enrolled to be eligible for payment.
- 5.4 Failure to enrol into a course following the completion of the approved Leave of Absence period.
- 5.5 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.

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 QUT Sport Scholarship are administered by Student Engagement and Sport. For any scholarships related inquiries please contact ph (07) 3138 7624 or scholarships@qut.edu.au