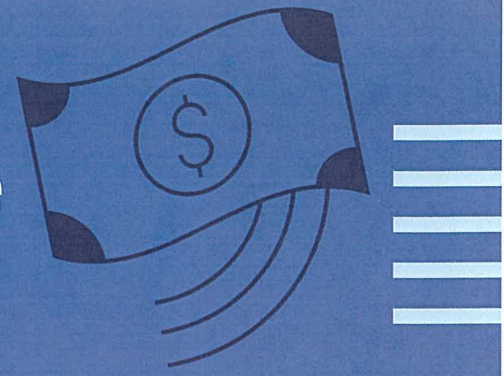


4 Financial assistance and scholarships



You may be eligible for financial assistance, scholarships, or other types of assistance available.

Scholarships

There are many scholarships available to students across Australia. Additionally, there are also a range of scholarships specifically available to support young people in regional, rural, or remote locations.

School leavers from regional, rural, and remote areas who aspire to teach can apply for a **Commonwealth Teaching Scholarship** to support them while they study. New undergraduate teaching students can receive up to \$40,000 and new postgraduate teaching students can receive up to \$20,000. A top-up payment of \$2,000 may also be available for students who undertake their final-year professional experience teaching placement in remote areas. To see if you're eligible and check the applications dates, visit the **Department of Education** website [education.gov.au/teaching-scholarships](https://www.education.gov.au/teaching-scholarships).

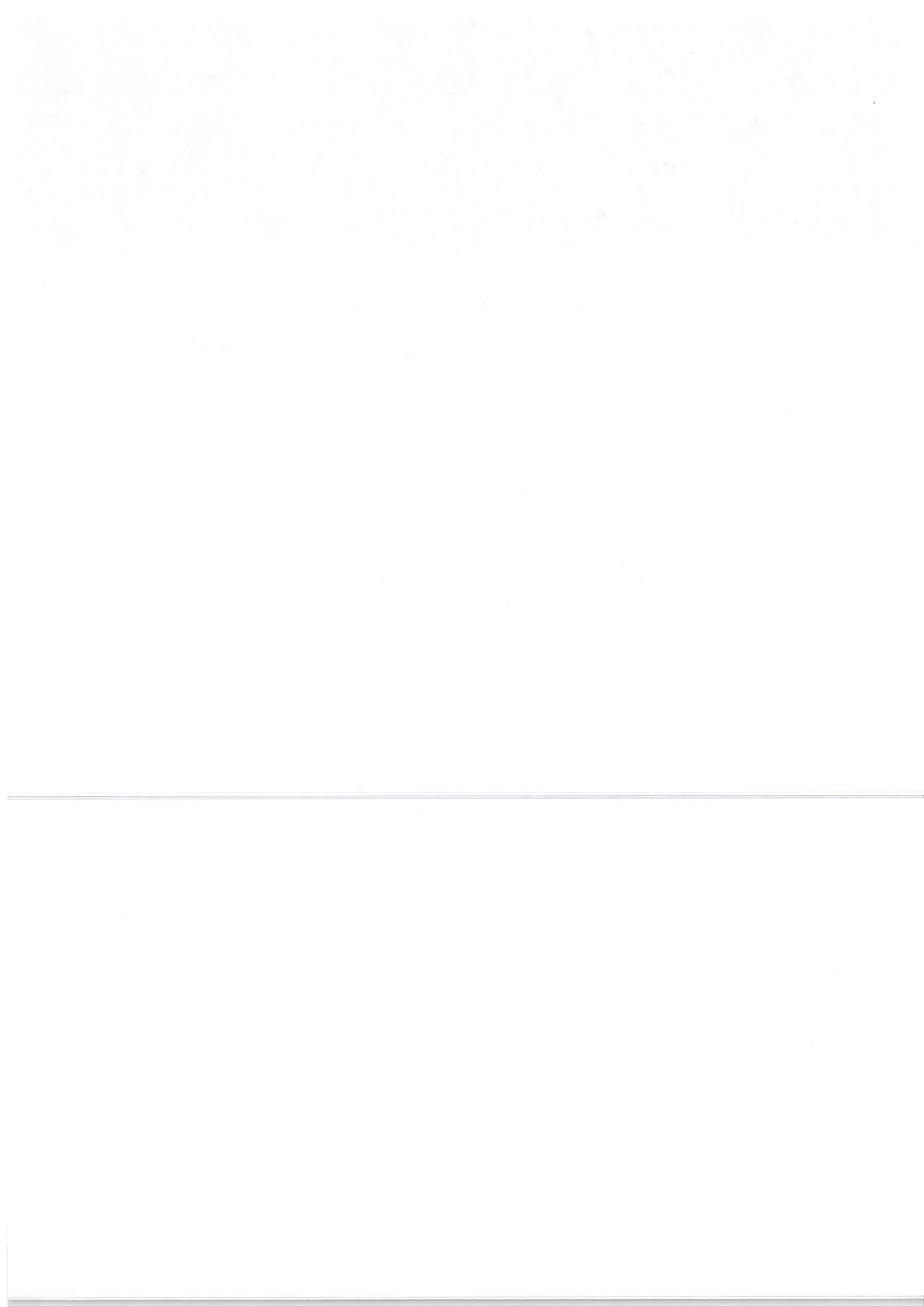
The **Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Uni Scholarship for rural and regional students** [bendigobank.com.au/community/scholarships/Bendigo-bank-scholarships](https://www.bendigobank.com.au/community/scholarships/Bendigo-bank-scholarships) provides \$6,500 per year, for up to 2 years, for students studying an undergraduate bachelor's degree.

The **Country Education Foundation** [cef.org.au/student-support](https://www.cef.org.au/student-support) helps rural and regional young people access education, training, and jobs. Their website has lots of useful resources including a list of scholarships and tips on how to apply for them.

Destination Australia Scholarships [education.gov.au/destination-australia](https://www.education.gov.au/destination-australia) are scholarships from higher education providers to students studying and living in regional Australia. To check which higher education providers offer these, visit the successful providers list [education.gov.au/destination-australia/resources/destination-australia-2023-list-successful-providers](https://www.education.gov.au/destination-australia/resources/destination-australia-2023-list-successful-providers).

The **Health Workforce Scholarship Program** [hwsp.com.au](https://www.hwsp.com.au) is for people studying in health-related disciplines like medicine, nursing, midwifery, allied health, and dentistry. The scholarships provide funding to support the costs of completing postgraduate courses, short courses, workshops, conferences, and seminars.

The **National Rural Health Alliance** [ruralhealth.org.au/scholarships](https://www.ruralhealth.org.au/scholarships) lists some of the scholarships available for students studying in health-related disciplines.



Financial assistance

Relocation Scholarships servicesaustralia.gov.au/relocation-scholarship are a once-a-year payment if you get Youth Allowance or ABSTUDY and move to or from a regional, rural or remote area for higher education study.

The **Living Away from Home Allowance** helps eligible students who have to move away from their parents' or guardians' home to take up or retain an Australian Apprenticeship. More information is available on the **Australian Apprenticeships** website apprenticeships.gov.au/support-and-resources/financial-support-apprentices.

The **Tertiary Access Payment** is a one-off payment of up to \$5,000 to assist students finishing Year 12 in regional or remote areas access tertiary study. If you move more than 90 minutes from home to study, you may be eligible. Visit the **Services Australia** website servicesaustralia.gov.au/tertiary-access-payment for more information.

You may be eligible for **Youth Allowance** if you're a student from a regional, rural or remote area. To learn more about Youth Allowance and find out if you're eligible, visit the **Services Australia** website servicesaustralia.gov.au/independent-for-youth-allowance-through-part-time-work-or-earnings-for-rural-and-remote-students.

General financial assistance for young people

In addition to the targeted assistance available, there's also a large range of general finance support you may be eligible for, depending on your circumstances.

Comprehensive information and links to the range of supports are outlined in the **SLIK** yourcareer.gov.au/school-leavers-support/school-leavers-information-kit.

Your tertiary education provider

If you choose to study at a tertiary education provider like a university or TAFE, they can help you too.

These providers offer orientation activities, student support services, academic support if you need extra help with a subject, and many networking opportunities and social groups along the way.

They may also offer grants and scholarships for students from regional, rural and remote areas.



