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## CO-OP SCHOLARSHIPS GUIDE

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# **co-op scholarships guide**

A guide to co-op scholarships in Australia for students commencing study in 2023.

## **VERSION 1**

The advice in this guide may be subject to change at any time. In our experience, universities can and do choose to change their entry requirements and processes and you should always check directly with the organisation for their latest information before commencing any application. We have verified most of the information directly with the organisations, and in some cases the information in this guide may differ from that published on the university website, or in their printed material.



## in this guide...

Learn about co-op scholarships

Understand how they work

Check your obligations

Browse 40 co-op scholarships  
on offer in Australia for 2023 entry

## give yourself a head start

We love co-op scholarships.

These are the real deal. Loads of financial support, opportunities to build your network, real-world internships, study-friendly accommodation, and overseas study trips. Co-op scholarships have everything you need to thrive at uni, and one of them even has an internship with Haigh's Chocolate (yum!).

Of course, if you want a co-op scholarship, you'll need to earn it.

They'll want to see the good things you've done, and many of them will want to hear from you personally. You could need to sit an interview or provide a personal statement, and some universities want to see what your teachers think of you as well.

If you've excelled in one area (or more), then you should seriously think about applying. Some of the scholarships ask for your academic results, and may have minimum ATAR requirements (University of Sydney want 99.90) but many of them look at other things. This could be your work in the community, sporting or artistic performance, or leadership skills.

## competitive but you'll reap the rewards

These esteemed scholarships are highly sought after, so the applications can be highly competitive – but they are definitely worth your time applying.

You might even receive an income while you're still studying at uni, as some internships are salaried. Many of these programs also have a 100% success rate for employment upon graduation. If you don't leave university with a job already lined up, the fact that you received a Co-op Scholarship will look fantastic on your resume, could appeal to potential employers, and may have provided you with relevant work experience and useful industry contacts. In other words, you'll definitely be ahead of the pack.

Your next step is to browse this guide, find one or two to apply for, and get going.

**Tip:** If you'd like to go to uni after high school and would love to score one of these amazing opportunities, then don't leave it until Year 11 and 12. Do your research earlier, find out what you'll need to be eligible and make a head start on ensuring that you and your application will stand out above the rest.

## they're different from other scholarships

Scholarships in any form are great.

They're generally sums of money donated to applicants who meet the eligibility requirements specific to that scholarship. There are thousands available in Australia.

They could really make a difference to your tertiary education experience by removing financial pressure and other barriers that could otherwise prevent you from achieving your goals. Or they could help you start your working life with less debt than you'd otherwise have.

Co-op Scholarships go the extra mile.

Not only do they provide some financial benefit (or in some cases a lot), they could also provide you with amazing extras such as:

- Mentoring
- Leadership and development programs
- Work experience
- Paid internships
- Tuition fees paid
- Guaranteed accommodation
- Access to workshops and special events
- Networking

## who can apply for a co-op scholarship?

Each scholarship is unique to the institution or provider, so you'll have to check that you'll meet the eligibility requirements before you spend time applying.

Co-op scholarships are generally open to high achievers. If you think that doesn't sound like you, it's still worth checking – merit isn't just given for amazing academic results, although it is often a pre-requisite.

Some scholarships will accept applications from people who've been recommended by their school for their outstanding contributions. Others want to reward individuals who've worked hard and made a difference with community involvement, or perhaps have shown great potential with their leadership abilities.

## check your obligations

If you're granted one of these highly prized Co-op Scholarships you'll be expected to take your studies seriously.

You'll have to make sure you stay on track and achieve your predicted ATAR results (or better).

Once you've enrolled at university and started your course, you might have to maintain the required GPA in order to keep the scholarship.

There could also be other requirements you'll have to comply with, for example:

- Help out at orientation week
- Commit to helping out on campus
- Active involvement within your chosen department
- Attending all additional programs and events that you're entitled to (even if your course is full-time and you have other commitments)

It might be worth double checking the terms and conditions before accepting any offers to make sure you'll be able to meet any obligations as well as keeping on top of your studies.

## bond university

### Vice Chancellor's Elite Scholarship

#### amount

100% tuition remission

#### open

Now

#### close

1 August 2022

#### benefits

- 100% Tuition for any single or approved combined undergraduate degree (excluding Medicine)
- Vice Chancellor's Mentoring Program
- Participation in the Beyond Bond Program
- Internship & networking opportunities

#### application criteria

- Minimum ATAR 95.00 or IB Diploma 38
- School reference
- Proof of leadership, initiative and service
- Submission of two essay questions

**[for full entry requirements, application details and key dates, go here](#)**

## bond university

### Excellence Scholarship

#### amount

Up to 50% tuition remission

#### open

Now

#### close

5 September 2022

#### benefits

- Up to 50% Tuition for any single or approved combined Undergraduate degree (excluding Medicine)
- Participation in the Beyond Bond Program
- Internship & networking opportunities

#### application criteria

- Minimum ATAR 92.00 or IB Diploma 34
- School reference
- Proof of leadership, initiative and service
- Submission of two essay questions

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## bond university

### Leadership Scholarship

#### amount

Up to 25% tuition remission

#### open

Now

#### close

5 September 2022

#### benefits

- Up to 25% Tuition for any single or approved combined undergraduate degree (excluding Medicine)
- Participation the Beyond Bond Program
- Internship & networking opportunities

#### application criteria

- Minimum ATAR 84.00 or IB Diploma 30
- School reference
- Proof of outstanding leadership, initiative and service
- Submission of two essay questions

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## curtin university

### John Curtin Scholarship Program

#### amount

Course fee remission + cash stipend

#### open

Now

#### close

14 September 2022

#### benefits

- Your course fees & cash each year to help with living expenses
- One-off payment towards an approved international study experience
- Leadership opportunities & mentoring program

#### application criteria

- In top 5% of your year
- Nominated by school principal
- Leadership qualities
- Community service

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## deakin university

### Vice-Chancellor's Academic Excellence Scholarship

#### amount

Course fee remission +  
cash stipend

#### open

1 September

#### close

9 January 2023

#### benefits

- 100% of your student contribution (tuition fees)
- Cash payment of \$5000 per year
- Participation in the Vice-Chancellor's Professional Excellence Program

#### application criteria

- ATAR of 95+ or dux of your high school
- Consideration will be given to:
  - your extra-curricular activities and achievements
  - students experiencing personal or financial hardship

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## griffith university

### Deans Sir Samuel Griffith and Sir Samuel Griffith Scholarships

#### amount

Up to \$60,000

#### open

Now

#### close

19 December 2022

#### benefits

- Financial support
- Consideration for entry to Griffith Honours College to develop skills such as leadership, teamwork, communication, community engagement, intellectual curiosity, research and work skills

#### application criteria

- ATAR 95.50+
- Leadership achievements and/or community service
- One referee report completed by the school principal or nominee, and one completed by a community organisation
- Personal statements

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## macquarie university

### Co-op Program

#### amount

\$19,600 per year (or salary)

#### open

Now

#### close

15 September 2022

#### benefits

- Three work placements totalling 15 months
- Receive financial support from Co-op partners
- Mentoring and training designed to improve your employability outcomes
- Courses co-created with industry to prepare you for the future of work

#### application criteria

- ATAR 98+ (Actuarial Studies) , 95+ (Accounting), 90+ (Business Analytics)
- Active in school and community
- Able to demonstrate exceptional communication, teamwork, problem solving, innovation, service and leadership skills
- Interview

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## macquarie university

### Macquarie Business School Academic Excellence Scholarship

#### amount

Up to \$10,000 per year

#### open

Now

#### close

On close of UAC applications

#### benefits

- Mentoring Program & Industry networking events
- Careers consultation program
- Professional development workshops and social events
- Dean's Scholars Welcome event
- Macquarie Business School Young Leaders Program

#### application criteria

- ATAR 98+
- Applying for one of the eligible courses - see website
- No separate application required

**[for full entry requirements, application details and key dates, go here](#)**

## monash university

Achieving Potential Scholarships for Distinction

### amount

Up to \$36,000

### open

Now

### close

7 October 2022

### benefits

- \$6,000 per annum (48 credit points of study) for the duration of your degree
- An invitation to apply for a place in Monash Minds, a leadership program for first year students.

### application criteria

- Minimum ATAR of 90.00 (minimum ATAR of 80.00 for Indigenous students)
- Applying from TAFE for any Monash undergraduate course
- From a low income background
- Year 12 students apply through VTAC

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## queensland university of technology

QUT Excellence Scholarship (Academic)

### amount

\$30,000

### open

Now

### close

9 December 2022

### benefits

- An accelerated program of study
- Early access to research opportunities
- Membership to the QUT College of Excellence

### application criteria

- Predicted ATAR of 98+
- All eligible students who complete a QTAC application in line with QTAC key dates will be considered

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## queensland university of technology

### Budding Entrepreneur Scholarship

#### amount

\$24,000

#### open

Now

#### close

20 November 2022

#### benefits

- Access to co-working in the QUT foundry spaces
- Opportunity to earn credit for operating your venture at QUT
- Application to accelerate your venture by attending an MIT program
- Entry into QUT's College of Excellence
- And more

#### application criteria

- Be making a positive difference through entrepreneurial action such as establishing and operating an entrepreneurial venture for profit or for purpose
- Written statement & video pitch
- Letter of recommendation from a mentor or teacher

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## queensland university of technology

### Elite Sport Scholarship

#### amount

Up to \$20,000

#### open

Now

#### close

20 November 2022

#### benefits

- Membership to the Elite Athlete Program
- Access to personal and professional development opportunities
- Access to nutrition and sports psychology services and more
- Membership of the QUT College of Excellence

#### application criteria

- Currently progressing and achieving within a sport recognised by Sport Australia
- Representing either an Australian State, National Sporting Organisation or Professional Player League sport
- Demonstrate a minimum of Talent 4 (T4) athlete level

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## queensland university of technology

### Rising Sports Scholarship (Esport)

#### amount

\$5,000

#### open

Now

#### close

20 November 2022

#### benefits

- Membership to the Tigers Esports Academy Development Program
- Access to personal and professional development opportunities
- Access to nutrition and sports psychology services
- Membership to the QUT College of Excellence and Elite Athlete Program

#### application criteria

- Be able to demonstrate abilities to perform and progress within an online esports game environment, specifically within the League of Legends game
- Participate in the QUT performance trial in early February

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## queensland university of technology

### Business Academic Excellence Scholarship

#### amount

\$5,000

#### open

Now

#### close

9 December 2022

#### benefits

- Automatic membership of the QUT College of Excellence
- Invitation to attend the College of Excellence camp in February
- The opportunity to represent QUT as a Student Ambassador.

#### application criteria

- Minimum unadjusted ATAR of 97+
- Have placed QUT as your first preference on your QTAC application

**[for full entry requirements, application details and key dates, go here](#)**

## queensland university of technology

### Corporate Partners in Excellence (CPIE) Scholarship

#### amount

\$36,000

#### open

Now

#### close

30 September 2022

#### benefits

- \$6,000 per semester
- 2x 15-week internships
- Membership of QUT College of Excellence
- Invitation to College of Excellence start-of-year camp
- Represent QUT in international case competitions & Student Ambassador Program

#### application criteria

- ATAR 94.00
- Enrol full-time to Bachelor of Business eligible single or double degree
- List eligible course in top 2 QTAC preferences
- Year 11 & 12 results
- Two referees letters of support
- Written responses to 4 questions

**[for full entry requirements, application details and key dates, go here](#)**

## queensland university of technology

### Bachelor of Business (Dean's Scholars)

#### amount

\$20,000

#### open

Now

#### close

9 December 2022

#### benefits

- Work with a supervisor to complete a thesis in your field of study
- Networking opportunities and extracurricular business activities

#### application criteria

- ATAR 97.00
- Apply for the Bachelor of Business (Dean's Honours Program) course you do not need to apply separately for this scholarship

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## swinburne university of technology

### Vice-Chancellor's Excellence Scholarship

#### amount

\$5,000 per year

#### open

Now

#### close

29 September 2022

#### benefits

- \$2,000 towards an international study experience
- Invitation to apply for the Swinburne's Student Ambassador Program
- Guaranteed place in Swinburne Residences for Semester 1 (costs not included in scholarship & must live 80km+ from campus)

#### application criteria

- Be a Year 12 student and commencing a Swinburne degree in the year after leaving school
- Achieve a minimum ATAR of 95.00
- Meet the prerequisites of your chosen degree.

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## university of melbourne

### Melbourne Chancellors Scholarship

#### amount

100% fee remission and \$17,500 - \$32,500

#### open

Now

#### close

29 September 2022

#### benefits

- HECS Student Contribution exemption
- Living allowance for up to three years
- Melbourne Global Scholars Award of up to \$2,500 (for overseas travel)
- Guaranteed CSP in one of the professional master degrees for students who meet the entry requirements

#### application criteria

- Have achieved an ATAR of at least 99.90, or
- Intend to undertake the Bachelor of Music and have achieved an ATAR of at least 99.85 and achieved an audition score of A+ , or
- Be of Indigenous Australian descent and have achieved an ATAR of at least 90.00

**[for full entry requirements, application details and key dates, go here](#)**



## university of melbourne

### Commerce Achievement Scholarship

#### amount

Up to \$26,500

#### open

Now

#### close

29 September 2022

#### benefits

- Unique subjects
- Local and international case competitions
- Student clubs and societies
- Employability workshops, mentoring and industry events
- Access to the University's prestigious partner-network through Exchange
- Melbourne Global Scholars Award of up to \$2,500

#### application criteria

- Achieve a minimum ATAR of 98.00
- Have applied for the Bachelor of Commerce (BCom) at the University of Melbourne via VTAC, OR
- Have applied for the Commerce Graduate Degree Package at the University of Melbourne via VTAC

**[for full entry requirements, application details and key dates, go here](#)**

## university of melbourne

### Hansen Scholarship (closed for 2022 - open again early 2023 for 2024 entry)

#### amount

Up to \$108,000

#### open

7 February 2022

#### close

14 March 2022

#### benefits

- Free accommodation
- \$4000 per year living allowance
- A one-time grant of up to \$4000 to support an approved activity
- Access to a mentoring program, pastoral care, and development programs
- And more

#### application criteria

- Be on track to achieve a minimum Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR) of at least 90 (or the IB equivalent)
- Experience financial circumstances that present a challenge to attending The University of Melbourne
- Meet additional non-academic criteria

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## university of newcastle

### Ma & Morley Scholarship Program

#### amount

Up to \$75,000

#### open

Now

#### close

3 October 2022

#### benefits

- Indigenous or academic excellence scholarship (\$50,000), or educational disadvantage scholarship (\$75,000)
- China immersion experience (subject to travel, health and other restrictions)
- Access to values based leadership program

#### application criteria

- Written statement showing what a globally aware and socially conscious leader means to you and things you have done in your home, school, work, or community that contribute to creating positive change in the world. Successfully shortlisted applicants must attend an interview.

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## university of new south wales

### Co-op Program

#### amount

\$19,600 per year

#### open

Now

#### close

30 September 2022

#### benefits

- 15-18 months Industry Experience
- Leadership and Professional Development program
- Networking and Mentoring

#### application criteria

- Minimum ATAR 96 or entry to the degree (whichever is the higher)
- Be a significant contributor to school or community
- Nominate a Careers Adviser or Year Level Coordinator to complete a Schools Assessment Page (SAP)
- Complete a video snapshot
- Interview

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## university of queensland

### UQ Law School LEAD Scholarship

#### amount

\$8,000 per year

#### open

Now

#### close

6 November 2022

#### benefits

- Help with living and study expenses
- Dedicated academic mentor and a non-residential membership of a UQ college in first year
- Non-residential memberships include meals, events, use of recreational facilities, internal courses and a strong collegiate network

#### application criteria

- ATAR 98.00
- Year 12 who can demonstrate educational, social and/or financial disadvantage
- Complete a lead application with supporting documentation and QTAC application with UQ Law as first or second preference
- Attend a formal interview

**[for full entry requirements, application details and key dates, go here](#)**

## university of south australia

### Gavin Wanganeen Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Scholarship

#### amount

\$5,000 per year

#### open

TBC January 2023

#### close

TBC March 2023

#### benefits

- Industry access
- Mentoring support
- Paid or unpaid work placement opportunities

#### application criteria

- Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander descent enrolled in an undergraduate program
- Provide a written statement (maximum 500 words)

**[for full entry requirements, application details and key dates, go here](#)**

## university of southern queensland

### Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship

#### amount

Up to \$20,000

#### open

Now

#### close

10 March 2023

#### benefits

- Opportunity to participate in the USQ Student Ambassador Program

#### application criteria

- ATAR at or above 88
- Submit their QTAC applications and preferences by the required dates, and
- Place their chosen USQ course as their first preference via QTAC

**[for full entry requirements, application details and key dates, go here](#)**

## university of southern queensland

### Chancellor's Excellence Scholarship

#### amount

Up to \$24,000

#### open

Now

#### close

10 March 2023

#### benefits

- Opportunity to participate in a leadership and development program as well as the USQ Student Ambassador Program
- Plus an optional Study Abroad package with a maximum value of \$5000

#### application criteria

- ATAR at or above 97
- Submit their QTAC applications and preferences by the required dates, and
- Place their chosen USQ course as their first preference via QTAC

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## university of technology sydney

### Women in Engineering and IT Cooperative Scholarship

#### amount

\$66,000

#### open

Now

#### close

4 September 2022

#### benefits

- Three (3) industry placement
- Mentoring, networking, leadership and professional development opportunities

#### application criteria

- Minimum ATAR of 85
- Candidates are required to submit an online application form to demonstrate their interest in studying engineering
- Selected applicants will be invited to attend an interview

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## university of technology sydney

### The Bachelor of Accounting Scholarship

#### amount

\$42,500

#### open

Now

#### close

14 October 2022

#### benefits

- Students can claim a Recruitment Incentive of \$9,000 in their third year if recruited by a sponsor organisation.
- 2 x 6 month internships
- A relocation allowance
- Networking and mentoring opportunities

#### application criteria

- ATAR 90+
- You need a genuine and informed interest in an accounting-based career, and strong personal 'soft' skills (communication, teamwork, problem solving, enthusiasm & dedication)
- Advanced Mathematics is assumed knowledge
- Leadership qualities and Involvement and achievement in a range of activities and interests

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## university of technology sydney

### Bachelor of Information Technology Co-operative Scholarship Program

#### amount

\$49,500

#### open

Now

#### close

4 September 2022

#### benefits

- Two (2) industry placements
- Mentoring, networking, leadership and professional development opportunities

#### application criteria

- Minimum ATAR of 85
- Apply through UAC for admission into Bachelor of Information Technology Co-op Scholarship; and
- Apply using the UTS online Scholarships Application form to be eligible; and
- Attend an interview in person (online or face-to-face)

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## university of sydney

### Chancellor's Award

#### amount

\$10,000 per year

#### open

Now

#### close

On close of UAC applications

#### benefits

- Priority access to accommodation near campus
- Access to leadership programs

#### application criteria

- Have achieved an ATAR (or equivalent) of 99.90 or above
- Be a current school leaver
- Have a University of Sydney course on your UAC application preferences
- Be a domestic student
- Not be in receipt of Sydney Scholars

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## university of tasmania

### Chancellor's University of Tasmania Merit Scholarship

#### amount

\$10,000 per year

#### open

26 August 2022

#### close

31 October 2022

#### benefits

- Involvement in student leadership activities
- Guaranteed place in on-campus accommodation

#### application criteria

- Academic excellence in Year 11 and 12
- A 'high' tertiary entrance score (ATAR or IB)
- Open to International and interstate students

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[note scholarship only shows once open applications have opened](#)

## university of tasmania

### Catalyst Program

#### amount

\$3,000

#### open

26 August 2022

#### close

31 October 2022

#### benefits

- Gain a second degree in Bachelor of Philosophy
- Up to \$2500 Overseas Education Experience Scholarship
- \$3000 scholarship for experience-based learning opportunities
- Networking opportunities and guest speakers

#### application criteria

- 90+ ATAR
- Have applied to study a course included in the Catalyst Program

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## university of wollongong

### UOW Ramsay Scholarship

#### amount

\$150,000

#### open

Now

#### close

12 August 2022

#### benefits

- \$30,000 per year for a 3 year single degree; a 3 year degree plus an honours year; or a full 5-year double-degree program
- Academic mentoring
- Opportunity to engage in a bespoke scholarly experience
- Guaranteed on-campus accommodation

#### application criteria

- Eligible for enrolment in a Bachelor of Arts in Western Civilisation as a single degree or double degree
- High achievers who exhibit and demonstrate Ramsay scholar qualities (see website)
- Supply resume with cover letter, complete an essay and attend an interview

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## university of wollongong

### Vice-Chancellor's Elite Academic Scholarship

#### amount

\$10,000 per year

#### open

TBC

#### close

TBC

#### benefits

- Opportunities for students who have demonstrated passion and potential to become ambassadors for the University of Wollongong

#### application criteria

- Apply for any undergraduate degree at UOW (excluding Global Honours)
- Demonstrate evidence of leadership and extracurricular activities
- Committed to the on-going requirements of the scholarship

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## various universities

### Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship

#### amount

\$5,000 per year

#### open

August 2022

#### close

See individual university

#### benefits

- Participation in the Disruptive Leaders Program, including travel
- Access to paid internships and inspiring mentors
- Become a lifelong member of the Westpac 100 Scholars Network

#### application criteria

- Intending to study at Murdoch, QUT, RMIT, UOW or WSU
- Must enrol in an approved technology-related degree at one of the partner universities
- Must meet various non-academic requirements

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## CO-OP SCHOLARSHIPS GUIDE

### our top tips

#### Research

Search for what's out there, you'll be amazed at the opportunities on offer, and make sure you meet the eligibility criteria

#### Apply

You've got to be in it to win it. Yes there's extra work involved but the rewards could help you to get ahead in lots of ways

#### Be you

Your personal circumstances can help you become a lucky recipient if you meet the requirements

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