2020 - Curtin Humanitarian Fund Scholarship

Status: Open
Applications open: 19/07/2019
Applications close: 15/11/2019

About this scholarship

Description/Applicant information
The Curtin Humanitarian Fund Scholarship has been developed by Curtin University to support Curtin undergraduate and postgraduate students from a refugee-like background who are experiencing financial difficulty in meeting the costs of pursuing higher education. The fund is in accordance with Curtin's long-standing, formal commitment to Ethics and Social Justice.

Student type
- Future Students

Faculty
- Centre for Aboriginal Studies
- Faculty of Business and Law
- Faculty of Health Sciences
- Faculty of Humanities
- Faculty of Science & Engineering
  - Science courses
  - Engineering courses
  - Western Australian School of Mines (WASM)

Course type
- Undergraduate
- Postgraduate coursework

Citizenship
- Australian Citizen
- Australian Permanent Resident
- New Zealand Citizen
- Permanent Humanitarian Visa
- International Student

Scholarship base
- Need Based

Value
The Curtin Humanitarian Fund Scholarship will provide a range of funds to support educational costs. The funding amount will be dependant on the circumstances of the individual recipient.

Scholarship Details

Eligible courses
- All undergraduate degrees
- Postgraduate degrees in masters by coursework only

Eligibility criteria
Applicants must meet ALL of the following criteria to be eligible to apply for the Curtin Humanitarian Fund Scholarship:
- Australian citizen, Australian permanent resident, Australian permanent humanitarian visa holder, or New Zealand citizen or an international student holding one of the following visas:
Bridging Visa E holder in Australia
Bridging Visa A holder in Australia
Bridging Visa XA holder in Australia
Temporary Protection Visa (subclass 785)
Safe Haven Enterprise Visa (subclass 790)

- Currently reside within Australia
- Received a full offer* of admission and enrolled into:
  - An undergraduate degree at Curtin University in 2020 Semester 1 or
  - A postgraduate (masters by coursework) degree at Curtin University in 2020 Semester 1 or Trimester 1
- Be from a refugee-like background, or the relative/dependant of such a person, who experienced forced migration and may have entered Australia in a number of ways including:
  - Off-shore approved refugee or humanitarian entrant
  - Onshore, community based Asylum Seeker or refugee
  - Temporary Protection Visa holder, Safe Haven Enterprise Visa or Bridging Visa
  - Family reunion
- Able to provide details of refugee background
- Financial hardship

*Full offer of admission:
Applicants must have received a full offer of admission into their intended course by the time the scholarship is awarded (23 December 2019).

Enrolment requirements
Recipients must meet ALL of the following:
- Remain enrolled in initial course of study
- Maintain enrolment each study period at Curtin University
- Maintain a course weighted average (CWA) of at least 50 each semester
- Fail no more than one unit attempted each study period

Scholarship continuity is subject to meeting satisfactory academic progress as outlined above. Progress will be assessed at the end of each study period. Unless there are exceptional circumstances, a recipient with unsatisfactory progress or who breaches the scholarship conditions shall be ineligible to retain the scholarship. Exceptional circumstances must be forwarded to and shall be at the discretion of the Scholarships Office.

Changes to Enrolment
If a recipient intends to do any of the following they must also apply in writing to the Scholarships Office (scholarships@curtin.edu.au) for approval BEFORE the change. The Scholarships Office will advise how the change will affect their scholarship.
- Change of course
- Leave of absence; Students must complete at least one semester of study before applying for a leave of absence from their scholarship. If approved, the maximum period of leave is 12 months. Please note that leave of absence is separate from deferral.

Withdrawal or Terminated from units or course: A recipient who withdraws from their units or course of study, or has been terminated from studies will become ineligible for continuation of the scholarship, will not receive any further payments and will be required to repay to Curtin University the stipend awarded for that study period if applicable.

How to apply

Application process
Step 1: Apply
- Application form available to download from the top right-hand side of this page

Step 2: Complete
- Complete the application form
- Attach all required supporting documentation
- Tips on how to complete your application can be found under the ‘Application Advice’ tab on the scholarships website

Step 3: Submit
- Closing date listed at top of page and within scholarships channel on OASIS
- Incomplete applications will not be assessed
Step 4: Receipt  
- Application receipt will be sent to the email listed on your application form within 10 business days of submission

Step 5: Assessment  
- Applications will be assessed by an assessment panel using the following criteria:
  - Responses to questions in application form
  - Financial hardship
  - Refugee status/background

Step 6: Outcome  
- Outcome will be sent via the email address listed through TISC on 23 December 2019 (all successful and unsuccessful applicants will be notified)

Step 7: Acceptance  
- Successful applicants must return acceptance documents by 31 January 2020
- Deferral of this scholarship is not permitted

Please note:  
- Scholarship will be awarded if there are applicants of sufficient need
- Scholarship will commence from first semester of study
- Scholarship is not transferable to another university

Need more information?

Enquiries  
Scholarships Office  
E: scholarships@curtin.edu.au  
T: (08) 9266 2992  
Frequently Asked questions: https://askcurtin.custhelp.com/app/answers/list/kw/scholarship

Further information  
For advice on how to complete your application can be found under the ‘Application Advice’ tab on the scholarships website  
For further information about holding more than one scholarship contact scholarships@curtin.edu.au