



POSTGRADUATE ACCESS & EQUITY SCHOLARSHIPS 2009

For Students Enrolled in Tuition Fee-Paying Courses

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

All applicants must complete ALL Sections of this form.

The University is offering a number of tuition fee waiver scholarships to those students from equity identified priority groups:

- People from Low Socio-Economic backgrounds;
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people;
- People with disabilities & medical conditions

The scholarship provides funding to cover payment of the student's coursework tuition fees only and does not provide the successful applicant with a stipend.

Please read the information carefully to ensure you complete all the necessary sections.

- **Unsigned and/or unwitnessed applications will not be processed.**
- **Failure to attach a recent (within 3 months) Centrelink Income Statement will deem your application invalid.**
- **Failure to supply additional supporting documentation where required will disadvantage your application.**
- **Failure to complete all sections of this application may disadvantage your application.**

Your contact and enrolment details will be obtained from your student record. Please ensure that your contact details in MyInfo are up to date and check your email regularly. Please note that applicants will be notified of their application outcome via e-mail.

All information supplied in support of your application will be treated confidentially and consistently with the University's privacy policy.

Where to submit your application:

By post

Scholarships Office
C/- Student Service Centre
Murdoch University
South St Murdoch WA 6150

In person –

Murdoch Campus
Student Service Centre
Level 2
Chancellery Building

In person –

Rockingham Campus
Student Service Centre
Room CTL1.001
Administration Building

In person –

Peel Campus
Student Service Centre
Room 1.002,
Building Peel 100

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 4.30PM FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST 2009.

Section 1: PERSONAL DETAILS

Student Number: _____

Surname: _____

Given Names: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____

1. Are you an Australian citizen or holder of a Permanent Humanitarian Visa?

Yes No

If no, are you a permanent resident of Australia?

Yes No (Do not continue – you are not eligible)

If you are a Permanent Resident, you are required to attached certified copies of your Visa.

2. Are you an Indigenous Australian?

Yes No

To be recognised as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander you must:

- be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent; and
- identify as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander; and
- be accepted as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person in the community in which you live or have lived.

Section 2: ENROLMENT DETAILS

3. Are you currently enrolled or have made an application for a fee-paying postgraduate course at Murdoch?

Yes No (Do not continue- You are not eligible)

What course are you enrolled in? _____

What year did you commence your course? _____

When do you expect to complete your course? _____

Are you enrolled as a full-time or part-time student? Full-time Part-time

4. Please give details of your undergraduate qualifications.

Degree or Diploma	Level attained	Institution	Year Completed

Please attach certified copies of academic transcripts with the institution's explanatory statement on its grading system (not required if previous study has been at Murdoch University).

5. Have you previously completed any postgraduate studies (certificates, graduate diplomas, Masters or PhDs)?

Yes (Please give details) No

Course (e.g. MBA)	Full-time / Part-time	Institution	From	To

Please attach certified copies of academic transcripts with the institution's explanatory statement on its grading system (not required if previous study has been at Murdoch University).

6. Are you currently receiving or previously received a postgraduate award or scholarship?

Yes No

Name of award	

Monetary value of award	

Institution award was granted	

Duration of award	From:	To:
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Section 3: FINANCIAL STATUS

7. Please provide details to support the essential criterion of low-income.

My current or expected fortnightly income and expenditure as follows:

Income	\$	Expenditure	\$
Centrelink Allowances ***		Accommodation	
Employment		Meals	
Parents/Family/Spouse		Dependents	
Investment/Business Enterprise		Services (eg Electricity, Gas)	
Other (please specify)		Transport/Car Loan/Running Costs	
		Insurance (health, house)	
		Hire/Purchase	
		Other (please specify)	
Total income (per fortnight)		Total expenditure (per fortnight)	

*** Please provide a recent (within 3 months) Centrelink Income Statement.

8. Did you have a gross single income at or below \$25,000 per annum for a period of two (2) years or more prior to making this application?

Yes

No (Do not continue – You are not eligible for a PGAES)

If yes, please supply Australian Tax Office Notice of Assessments (NOA) for the previous two (2) years as supporting documentation.

For eligibility purposes, all applicants are required to submit the past two years Australian Tax Office Notice of Assessments (NOA), regardless of whether you were required to submit a Tax Return or not.

DOCUMENTATION CHECKLIST

Documentation must be provided to support your application. Check which sections below relate to your situation and provide the necessary documents. Some examples are provided below and you may also have documents not listed. If documentation relates to your family rather than to you personally, you need to document your relationship.

All copies of your documentation must be **CERTIFIED** or **TRUE COPIES ONLY** by either Murdoch University Student Service Centre staff, a Justice of the Peace or a Commissioner for Declarations as original documents will not be returned. **Failure to attach CERTIFIED or TRUE COPIES of original documents will deem your application invalid.** If your application is not supported by an academic transcript, referee details, Centrelink or Notices of Assessment it may be regarded as an incomplete application.

Please tick to show which documents you have enclosed:

SECTION 2: General Eligibility

Q1: Permanent Resident

Permanent Resident documentation

Q2: Indigenous Australians

- Letter of verification from your local community Elder; or
- Confirmation letter from the Kulbardi Centre based on previous documentation on file; or
- Confirmation in writing with the corporate seal from the chairperson of the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander incorporated organisation in a community in which the applicant lives or has previously lived.

If you need assistance with obtaining Confirmation of Aboriginality from a community organisation please contact the Kulbardi Centre.

Q4: Previous Postgraduate Studies

Academic Transcripts for all previous postgraduate studies

Q5: Previous Undergraduate Studies

Academic Transcripts for all previous undergraduate studies

Q6: Current Scholarship

Letter outlining scholarship received and amount paid

SECTION 3: Financial Status

Q7 & Q8: Income & Expenditure

- Certified copy of Centrelink Income Statement (Essential)
- Australian Taxation Office Notice of Assessments (NOA) for the previous two (2) financial years

SECTION 4: Employment History

Q9: Employment

Australian Taxation Office Notice of Assessments (NOA) for the previous two (2) financial years