Fees and scholarships

Tuition costs for Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) students

Depending on the course, an Australian Commonwealth supported undergraduate student at Deakin in 2011 can expect to pay between $4355 and $9080 per year of study. These fees may change for 2012.

Eligible students may obtain loans via the Higher Education Contribution Scheme-Higher Education Loan Program (HECS-HELP). Repayments are made through the Australian taxation system once annual income exceeds the minimum threshold for repayment. Alternatively, eligible students can pay their contribution upfront and receive a discount.

Under each course entry in this guide, there is an 'indicative first year fee'. This is an approximate indication of the cost of this course in the first year of full-time study for a Commonwealth Supported Place. We can't specify the exact figure, because fees are charged per unit, not per course, so the actual fees may vary depending on what units you choose to study.

The fees quoted in this guide are for Australian students in 2011, and may change for 2012 and later years. For information on fees, please visit **www.deakin.edu.au/fees**.

Other costs you will need to pay are living costs and course-related expenses such as computer equipment, books, field trips and special equipment or clothing.

Scholarships

Deakin University offers a range of scholarships in a variety of categories, ensuring higher education is accessible and achievable for all members of the community. Deakin offers scholarships for:

» academic excellence
» access and equity
» accommodation
» Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.

Academic excellence scholarships are awarded to high-achieving students who are offered a place at Deakin in undergraduate and honours courses.

Deakin recognises its responsibility to make higher education affordable for those in need of assistance by offering a comprehensive range of generous scholarships for students from disadvantaged backgrounds to support them in their studies at the University.

Deakin access and equity scholarships are available for students who may not otherwise have the opportunity to access higher education, such as those from financially disadvantaged backgrounds.

Deakin provides scholarships for students from rural and regional backgrounds, for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and for international students studying at any of Deakin's campuses.

Accommodation scholarships are available to commencing full-time students who have moved from rural or regional locations to study on campus at either the Geelong Campus at Waurn Ponds, the Geelong Waterfront Campus, or the Warrnambool Campus. These scholarships include up to $8000 towards annual accommodation costs in University residences at either Geelong or Warrnambool for the normal duration of the course.

For more information on the range of scholarships available at Deakin and how to apply, please visit **www.deakin.edu.au/scholarships**.

Government financial assistance

For details about the forms of government financial assistance available to students, including Austudy and Youth Allowance and the Student Start-up Scholarship, please visit the Centrelink web site at **www.centrelink.gov.au**, or phone:

» Youth and student services 13 2490
» ABSTUDY 13 2317
» Centrelink 13 1021.

Financial assistance

Financial assistance staff in the Division of Student Life can help you with a range of financial matters, including financial literacy assistance, interest-free student loans, grants and food vouchers.

For more information, please visit **www.deakin.edu.au/financial-assistance**.

Changes to youth allowance

Significant changes have been proposed to the Youth Allowance program. Please refer to the Centrelink web site for the most up-to-date and accurate information **www.centrelink.gov.au**.