

How to apply for a scholarship



Looking to apply for scholarships but don't know where to start?

The first step is to look through the scholarships we have listed on our Find a scholarship tool. This lists all the scholarships we have open or about to open.

You can use the search filter options at the top of the page to help find scholarships you may be eligible for. Advanced filters are also available, so don't forget to use these too.

To learn more about each scholarship, click on the scholarship name.

Every scholarship is different. Different eligibility, different benefits, different open/close dates, different how to apply information. You may need to read several pages before you find the ones for you.

When are scholarships open?

We have three main scholarship application periods:

- **Trimester 1** - this period generally runs between the end of August of the prior year to mid-March. During this time, different scholarships will open and close at different points of time. During this longer period, we recommend you check back regularly to see what new scholarship opportunities have been added, or which ones are about to close.
- **Trimester 2** - this period generally runs between mid-June to mid-July.
- **Trimester 3** - this period generally runs between mid-October to early-December.

Exact dates are shown on the Find a scholarship website closer the opening times.

Filter scholarships

Level of study	Student type	Scholarship type	Citizenship
Any ▼	Any ▼	Any ▼	Please select ▼

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Scholarship name	Annual Value	Duration	Open Date	Close Date
Deakin Scholarship for Excellence	Undergraduate - \$5000 per year Postgraduate - \$10,000 per year	Normal course duration	17/6/21	15/7/21 Closing soon

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It's important you apply for all the scholarships you are eligible for. If you don't submit an application we can't assess it and you'll forever wonder if you might have received one.

Now the important part...

If you are applying to VTAC for a course (Trimester 1):

- Step 1: We always recommend you do a VTAC course application and VTAC Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS) application – these relate to your course aspirations not scholarships, but they are important.
The third application in VTAC is a Scholarships application – remember the closing dates for course, SEAS and Scholarships are all different in VTAC.
The VTAC scholarship application is a general equity scholarship application designed to be used by most universities you have listed as a preference. Deakin uses this application for some of our equity scholarships. We try to put as many equity scholarships as we can through the VTAC scholarship application process, but unfortunately some of our equity scholarships require specific information we can't always get through the VTAC Scholarships application. As a result you may need to apply for some equity scholarships directly to Deakin too.
- Step 2: Apply directly to Deakin for our merit/achievement scholarships and any of the other equity scholarships we offer. You do this through our Deakin Application Portal. This process is explained in detail below.

Already studying, will apply to Deakin for a course or have a course offer:

- You can apply directly through the Deakin Application Portal for scholarships.

Deakin Application Portal

If you don't have an account you will need to register. If you are already studying, you can log in via DeakinSync, using your student username and password.

When you apply for a scholarship through the Deakin Application Portal we try to take the hard work out of the application process.

You will be asked a series of questions about you, your residential location, your education and experience. We will then work out what currently open scholarships you may be eligible for. You can then decide which ones you want to apply for. We encourage you to apply for all scholarships you are eligible for. We then need you to tell us more. The next step requires more detailed short-answer style responses. We use these ones to assess and rank your application. Don't rush them. It might take you a little while. If you need to, you can save your responses and come back later. Just make sure you do it before the scholarship closes.

The final steps are to upload all required documents, review your application and then submit. You may need to repeat this step during the long Trimester 1 period to make sure you apply for any new scholarships which may open after your last application.

Good luck!

When do you find out?

The scholarship application process is highly competitive. We only have a limited number of scholarships available each year. Unfortunately, not all eligible applicants will receive one.

- For Trimester 1, we may have several offer rounds starting in December and going through to March. We aim to have most of our commencing student scholarships offered in the period immediately following the January VTAC course round. If a scholarship requires a student to be enrolled in a specific course or campus these may be offered a little later.
If you don't initially hear from us, don't be concerned. The Trimester 1 scholarship application period is long with several offer rounds. Keep checking your application status in the Deakin Application Portal.
- For Trimester 2 and 3, you will generally find out if you are successful within 4 weeks of the closing date. You can check your application status in the Deakin Application Portal. Successful applicants will be contacted by their nominated email address.

Only successful candidates will be notified.