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Eligibility

Commencing Undergraduate Students (first year students in 2007)

RMIT Fee Equity Scholarship and RMIT Indigenous Fee Equity Scholarship

If this is your first year in your undergraduate degree and you meet the CECS eligibility criteria (see below), you can apply for the RMIT Fee Equity which covers your CSP debt for the duration of your program (max 4 years)

All Undergraduate Students (excludes TAFE students)

Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship (CECS)

If you:
* are an Australian citizen or a holder of an Australian permanent humanitarian visa
* are a student enrolled in an undergraduate degree at RMIT in 2007
* are in a Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP)
* meet low socio-economic background criteria
* are a full-time student (or have an exceptional reason for studying only part-time)
* don’t already have a bachelor degree or higher award, unless it is a prerequisite for your undergraduate program

Commonwealth Accommodation Scholarship (CAS)

If you:
* meet the above six criteria for CECS, and
* have lived in a rural or regional area for at least three of the previous four years immediately prior to commencing your undergraduate program at RMIT or completed your final years of high school in a rural or regional school in the three years prior to commencing your undergraduate program at RMIT or completed your high school/college schooling in a major city while maintaining your rural/regional home address, and
* have moved from a location that is outside a capital city in a rural or regional area, and
* found it necessary to move away from a rural/regional area in order to undertake your undergraduate degree, and
* are enrolled as an internal student (the majority of your study is on-campus)

RMIT Study Support Scholarship

If you meet the CECS eligibility criteria (see above) you can apply for the RMIT Study Support which assists with general education costs for the duration of your program. Ensure you tick the RMIT Study Support box on page 3 of this application form.

Please note: that this scholarship is open to holders of a Permanent Residency Visa.

Application Process

* Please complete only ONE application form for all RMIT Equity scholarships you wish to apply for
* Attach all relevant documentary evidence
* Sign the declaration and submit to:
  - In person: At any RMIT Student Hub
  - By post: Private & Confidential, RMIT Scholarships and Finance Office, GPO Box 2476V, Melbourne VIC 3001

Closing Dates

Friday 13 October 2006: First year students in 2007 applying for Fee Equity.
Friday 9 March 2007: All undergraduate students applying for CECS, CAS and Study Support.

Applications received after the closing date will not be considered.

Further Information

RMIT Scholarships and Finance Office
City campus, Building 11, Level C, Room 16 (GPO Box 2476V, Melbourne VIC 3001)
Telephone: (03) 9925 2811
Fax: (03) 9925 9513
E-mail: scholarships@rmit.edu.au
Web: www.rmit.edu.au/students/scholarships
YOU ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO APPLY IF YOU:
• are an international or full fee-paying student
• are a postgraduate student
• are the holder of a Permanent Residency Visa, unless only applying for the RMIT Study Support
• are a TAFE/VET student
• are studying part-time (unless you can prove extenuating circumstances)
• have already completed an undergraduate program (unless it is a prerequisite of your undergraduate program)

WHO SHOULD APPLY?
• students on low incomes and who may be socially or educationally disadvantaged
• students who are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders
• students from non-English speaking background who were born overseas
• students with an ongoing disability and/or serious health problem
• women in non-traditional areas of study (e.g., engineering, architecture or building)
• students from rural/regional areas

HOW WILL I BE NOTIFIED?
• all applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application in writing (by mail)
• successful applicants will be sent an Acceptance of Offer letter, which must be signed and return to the Scholarships and Finance Office
• applicants must notify the Scholarships and Finance Office if they have changed their mailing address after submitting their application

WHEN WILL I BE PAID?
• payments will be made after the census dates of 31 March 2007 and 31 August 2007
• CECS & CAS recipients receive payment in two instalments each year for the duration of their program (maximum 4 years), depending on ongoing eligibility. Payments are indexed annually
• RMIT Fee Equity recipients automatically have the CSP debts paid each year on their behalf for the duration of their program
• RMIT Study Support recipients receive a payment of $2,000 each year for the duration of their program depending on ongoing eligibility (Max 4 years)

IF I TRANSFER TO ANOTHER UNIVERSITY, CAN I KEEP MY SCHOLARSHIP?
No.

WHAT HAPPENS IF I DEFER MY ENROLMENT?
RMIT Equity Scholarships will be deferred for the period of your official deferral from your program (max 12 months)
You must notify the RMIT Scholarships and Finance Office if you arrange a deferral or leave of absence.

WILL THE INCOME FROM THESE SCHOLARSHIPS AFFECT MY CENTRELINK PAYMENTS?
Commonwealth Learning Scholarships (CECS & CAS) and the RMIT Fee Equity Scholarships are not considered as income under the Social Security Act and will not affect your Centrelink payments. RMIT Study Support Scholarship may affect your Centrelink payments. Refer to www.centrelink.gov.au

DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE
Examples of the type of evidence that is required are listed at the end of the application in a Documentary Evidence Checklist. Failure to provide certified evidence will disadvantage you in the selection process.
Certified copies of documents should be attached to your application (please do not submit originals).

An authorised officer certifies your documents by:
• Writing on the copy “This is a true copy of the original document sighted by me”,
• Stamping it with an official stamp (if there is one) of the organisation of the person verifying the copy
• Printing the following information: name and business address, contact telephone number, profession or occupation or organisation, date verified, registration number if Justice of the Peace
• Signing it

People who can verify your documents include:
• An officer of the organisation which issued the original document
• RMIT student administration staff working at The Hubs
• Accountants
• Bank or Credit Union managers
• Barristers, solicitors, or patent attorneys
• Police officers ranked sergeant and above
• Post office managers
• High/secondary school principals
• Commissioner for declarations
• Justice of the Peace with a registration number
• Pharmacist
Application Form

All relevant sections of this form must be completed. Where indicated documentary evidence must be submitted. Failure to attach documentary evidence will disadvantage you in the selection process.

Please tick the scholarship(s) you wish to apply for

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Section 1. Personal Details

(Please leave a space between words and tick appropriate boxes)

1. Family Name/Surname

2. Given Name/s

3. Previous Name/s (if any)

4. Have you previously applied or been enrolled in an RMIT program?
   Yes [ ] No [ ] Student No. (if known) [ ]

5. Postal Address
   City/Suburb: [ ] State: [ ] Postcode: [ ] Country: [ ]

6. Home Address (if different from postal address)
   City/Suburb: [ ] State: [ ] Postcode: [ ] Country: [ ]

7. Male [ ] Female [ ]

8. Private Telephone [ ] Business Telephone [ ] Mobile Telephone [ ]

9. RMIT Email Address [ ]

10. Are you?
    10.1 Of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent? [ ]
        (Please submit supporting documentation)
    10.2 A student with a disability? [ ]
        (Please submit supporting documentation)
    10.3 From a Non-English Speaking Background? [ ]
        (Please submit supporting documentation)
    10.4 A woman in non-traditional discipline? [ ]
        (i.e. Engineering, Building)

^ Refer to Information for Applicants for explanations
Section 2. General Eligibility

11. Are you?
   - an Australian Citizen? 
   - holder of a Permanent Humanitarian Visa? 
   - holder of a Permanent Residency Visa? 

(Eligible for Study Support only)

12. What program are you enrolled in, been offered a place for or intending to study at RMIT?

   Program Code: 
   Program Title: 
   Campus: 
   School: 

   Year of Study in 2007: 
   - 1st year 
   - 2nd year 
   - 3rd year 
   - 4th year 
   - Honours year 

13. Are you enrolled as a Commonwealth Supported Student? (CSP formerly HECS) 
   - Yes 
   - No 

14.1 Are you a full time student (ie minimum of 75% of a full-time study load or 36 credit points in each semester)? 
   - Yes 
   - No 

14.2 If no, please provide evidence of exceptional circumstances which prevent you from studying full-time. 

(Please submit supporting documentation)

   Carer responsibilities 
   Disability 
   Financial hardship 

Other (specify): 

I am unable to study full-time because: 

Section 3. Education Background

15. What is your most recent level of educational attainment? 
   - Year 11 or below 
   - Year 12 or equivalent 
   - TAFE Diploma /Certificate 
   - Apprenticeship/Traineeship 

16. If you have previously completed an undergraduate degree, was it a prerequisite for your current undergraduate program? 
   - Yes 
   - No 

17. What secondary school did you attend? 

18. Did you apply for entry to RMIT through the SEAS or ACESS programs? 
   - Yes 
   - No 

19. Have either of your parents attended university? 
   - Mother 
   - Father 

Section 4. Commonwealth Accommodation Scholarship Eligibility

Only students who have re-located from a rural or regional area should complete this section to apply for a CAS.

20. What is your mode of study? 
   - Internal (ie on-campus) 
   - External (ie off-campus) 

21. Within the 4 years immediately preceding your commencing Higher Education study at RMIT have you: 
   (i) lived in a rural/regional area of Australia for at least 3 years 
   (Please submit supporting documentation) 

   Postal Address 

OR (ii) completed the final two years of high school/college schooling in a rural/regional area 
( Please submit supporting documentation) 

   School Address 

OR (iii) completed your high school/college schooling in a major city while maintaining your rural/regional home address 
( Please submit supporting documentation) 

   Rural Address 

22. Have you or are you intending to move away from your rural/regional area in order to undertake your Higher Education studies at RMIT? 
   - Yes 
   - No 

If yes, reason: 
   - Distance to nearest tertiary institution 
   - Program choice/availability 

Other 

Section 5. Financial Details

23. If you receive any of the following please list below a breakdown of your average fortnightly income (after tax)?
(Please submit supporting documentation)

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Total for all benefits $   

24. Do you receive any RMIT Scholarships which continue for each year of your program?  
Yes  No
(Please submit supporting documentation)

If yes, name of scholarship

25. Do you receive a full or partial government benefit?  
Full  Partial  None
(Please submit supporting documentation)

26. What is your current living arrangement?  
Single (living with parents)  Single (living away from home/independent)  Sole parent/carer  Partnered, no dependents  Partnered, with dependents

Section 6. Personal Circumstances

If you are a parent, please complete Q 27 and 28.

27. No of children 5 yrs or under  No of children 6 – 18 yrs
(Please submit supporting documentation)

28. Which of the following best describes your situation?

- I am a sole parent
- I share the custody of my children

29. Do you have dependants other than children?  
Yes  No
(Please submit supporting documentation)

Number

30. Do any of your dependants have special needs which impact on the time and attention you give to study?  
Yes  No
(Please submit supporting documentation)

31. Please provide any additional information about your circumstances which contributes to your need for support whilst you study.
(Please submit supporting documentation)

Section 7. Applicant Declaration

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge, the information supplied in this application and the documentation supporting it is true and complete. I acknowledge that the provision of false information or documentation or the withholding of information or documentation relating to my application may result in the cancellation of any scholarship by RMIT University. I confirm that I have read and understood the Information for Applicants and understand the conditions of the scholarships. I authorise RMIT University to obtain, where necessary, further information regarding this application from other relevant bodies. I understand that the scholarship process is competitive and that not all applicants who meet the eligibility criteria can be awarded a scholarship. I will verify my ongoing eligibility as required.

Note. Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence under the Criminal Code (Commonwealth).

Signature  Date
The Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology (RMIT University) is providing you with this notice because the university has sought personal information about you. The university needs this information so that it can fully and properly assess your application in accordance with its policies and procedures. The information you supply on this form and in any documentation supplementary to this application may be provided to scholarship selection authorities.

Please note: If supporting documentation is not provided with this application, you will be disadvantaged in the selection process. Do not send original documents as they will not be returned. Copies must be certified (refer Information for Applicants)

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