



WESTERN SYDNEY UNIVERSITY

DONOR FUNDED SCHOLARSHIPS

The scholarship has opened many doors for me, both personally and professionally. Knowing that someone believes in you is incredibly empowering. Thank you for your support throughout medical school. Attending graduation was a wonderful experience, especially as the first person in my family to attend university. Your support has truly made a difference in my life.

Dr Baneen Alrubayi

The Sisters of Charity Foundation's Tertiary Scholarship Program empowers dedicated students to transform their lives through education, by providing not only financial assistance – but also the support and encouragement young people need to continue and succeed.

***Nicole Macdonald, Communications
Manager, Sisters of Charity
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Dr Baneen Alrubayi

Doctor of Medicine, 2024
Sisters of Charity Foundation &
Macquarie Group Scholarship recipient

Why establish a scholarship at Western?

Scholarships transform lives and have a lasting impact on students and their families. Scholarships are a rewarding way to 'pay it forward' to the next generation of promising Western students.

Scholarships promote equity, encourage talented students to reach their potential, provide opportunities for Indigenous students and support refugee and asylum seeker students.

Scholarships can encourage Western students to access or remain in higher education. Your kindness and vision can genuinely help remove barriers to university by establishing a scholarship at Western.

What type of scholarship can I establish?

→ **EQUITY**

Equity scholarships recognise that some Western students' lived experiences impact their education. Equity scholarships support students with challenges including financial hardship, carer responsibilities, health concerns, are from a regional or remote area, or grew up in out of home care.

→ **HIGH POTENTIAL**

High Potential scholarships recognise excellence, engaged leaders, elite athletes, and Western program participants. These are for students who show exceptional promise, including strong academic performance and excellence in sports, the arts, community service or leadership.

→ **HUMANITARIAN (REFUGEE) (ASYLUM SEEKER)**

Western has a proud record of supporting talented and hardworking students from refugee or asylum seeker backgrounds. Humanitarian scholarships recognise students who are overcoming adversity and often difficult circumstances.

→ **INDIGENOUS**

Western is honoured to work with our Indigenous community in offering scholarships for students who identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander and are accepted as such by the Indigenous community.

What are the levels of support?

- Undergraduate scholarships \$10,000 per year (3-5 years in duration)
- Endowed Undergraduate scholarships \$250,000
- Postgraduate (Higher Degree Research) scholarships \$10,000 per year
- PhD scholarships \$40,000 per year (typically 3 years in duration)
- Endowed PhD scholarship: \$1m

How are scholarships awarded?

- Students apply for Equity Scholarships through UAC (Universities Admissions Centre).
- Students apply for High Potential, Humanitarian and Indigenous Scholarships through the Western Sydney University Scholarships website. Applicants for these scholarships need only apply once and are assessed for all scholarships.
- Higher Degree Research and PhD scholarships are assessed by Western's Graduate Research School.

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