

The Commonwealth government and Flinders University have established the Indigenous Commonwealth Accommodation Top-up Scholarship to provide additional assistance to students living on-campus who are in receipt of a standard Indigenous Commonwealth Accommodation Scholarship (ICAS).

The number of ICAS top-up scholarships available each year will be determined by annual funding from the Commonwealth government. The scholarship value will be determined annually.

### **Eligibility**

All scholarship applicants must meet all the basic requirements of an ICAS scholarship as follows. Applicants must

- be of Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent; and
- identify as an Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander; and
- be accepted as an Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander by the community in which they live or have lived; and
- normally be enrolled full-time at Flinders University in an undergraduate or postgraduate course of study or the Foundation Studies program; and
- have a permanent home address in Inner or Outer Regional, Remote or Very Remote Australia as defined by the Australian Standard Geographic Classification (ASGC); and
- have relocated to undertake study as per section 2.10.15 of the Commonwealth Scholarship Guidelines (Education) 2010; and
- be living on-campus at Bedford Park in Flinders living; and
- be able to demonstrate financial need.
- be in receipt of an ICAS

Previous recipients of an Indigenous Commonwealth Accommodation Top-up Scholarship may reapply but will be limited to a maximum of 4 payments in total.

### **Tenure**

The scholarship is awarded for up to 1 year of full-time study. The payments will be credited into the recipient's Flinders Living account. Scholarships are available to part-time students in exceptional circumstances, which includes (but is not limited to) disability, illness or carer responsibilities. Part-time scholarship recipients will receive the same annual value as full-time scholarship recipients.

### **Selection**

In selecting recipients the following factors will be considered:

- Remoteness of permanent home address
- Financial need
- University entrance score (commencing students)
- GPA (continuing students)

Preference will be given to commencing students.

Preference may be given to students not in receipt of ABSTUDY.

Selection of the candidate(s) will be made in accordance with procedures approved by the Director, Student Administration, in consultation with the Office of Indigenous Strategy and Engagement.

### **Applications**

Applications should be submitted online through the Flinders University Student System by the specified closing date.

**Advertising**

The availability of the scholarship will be described on the University website.