

Purpose of Scholarship

The QATSICPP Scholarship provides financial support to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander child, youth and family workers employed within the Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Controlled Child Protection Services sector undertaking Griffith University's [Graduate Certificate in First Peoples Community Practice – 3371](#) or the [Graduate Certificate in Human Services – 3272](#).

Nature of Scholarship

Twenty-five (25) scholarships will be available each financial year up to 2025–2026. Scholarships will be advertised each year in August/September for a start in Trimester 3.

Each scholarship has a maximum value of \$11,500 payable in instalments toward the recipients Student Contribution Charges.

Instalments are payable for each 10 Credit Points course a recipient is enrolled in, with a requirement that one of those 10CP courses be the [Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Controlled Child Protection Practice Standards 7050HSV](#) course.

QATSICPP facilitates payment of course fees directly to Griffith University each Trimester.

Eligibility

To be eligible for a scholarship, applicants must:

- be Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander and be employed as a child, youth and family worker in the Child Protection Community-Controlled sector.

(Please note: All candidates within the sector are encouraged to submit their applications, with preference given to those employed in Family Wellbeing Services and the Family Participation Program as priority, for the Scholarship opportunity),
- **meet the entry requirements for Griffith University's Graduate Certificate** in Human Services – 3272 or the Graduate Certificate in First Peoples Community Practice – 3371;
 - *completed a bachelor's degree (or higher) in any discipline*
 - ***OR*** *completed a Certificate IV or Diploma VET/TAFE qualification in a related discipline **AND** a minimum of one year full-time professional experience in the disability, rehabilitation or related human services fields*
 - ***OR*** *a minimum of three years full-time professional experience in a related field and can demonstrate ability to undertake graduate study through the provision of curriculum vitae and an employer's reference.*

(If you are unsure of your eligibility, please contact QATSICPP Scholarships to discuss).

- complete the Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Controlled Child Protection Practice Standards 7050HSV as an elective,
- be supported by their CEO and Line Supervisor to meet the scholarship conditions.

Application Process

After reading the Scholarship Guidelines, applicants are required to complete the Application Form and send documents to scholarships@qatsicpp.com.au.

Selection Process

Eligible applications will be reviewed, and recipients selected based on the eligibility criteria for QATSICPP and Griffith University.

Family Wellbeing Services and Family Participation Program workers will take priority for the Scholarship program. The remaining scholarships for each yearly intake will be awarded to the pool of applicants, in accordance with QATSICPP's Selection Criteria.

A face-to-face or video interview with the QATSICPP scholarship team may be required for shortlisted applicants.

Applicants will be notified if they are successful or not, prior to the commencement of Trimester 3.

Successful applicants will be required to attend a scholarship briefing and orientation (virtually).

Conditions

To accept and remain eligible for the scholarship, recipients must:

- remain enrolled at Griffith University in the *Graduate Certificate in Human Services – 3272* or the *Graduate Certificate in First Peoples Community Practice – 3371*.
- complete the *Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Controlled Child Protection Practice Standards 7050HSV Course*.
- study in consecutive trimesters; (if students wish to defer a trimester, they are to inform QATSICPP of their intentions).
- maintain a pass level.
- continue to be employed in the Child Protection Community-Controlled sector for the duration of the scholarship.
- participate in an evaluation of the scholarship program and the course more broadly.
- be willing to attend an awards ceremony and assist, where appropriate, in the promotion of the scholarships program and the courses undertaken.

- Notify QATSICPP prior to the commencement of each trimester of the course/s enrolled in.
- Provide QATSICPP with a copy of the unofficial transcript for grades at the end of each trimester.
- Provide consent to GUMURRII Student Success Unit to share academic information with QATSICPP.

Payments and ongoing recipient eligibility will be managed by QATSICPP.

If a scholarship recipient fails to successfully meet these conditions, it is at the discretion of QATSICPP to withhold the trimester instalment or terminate the scholarship.

Acceptance & Agreement

Successful applicants will be required to complete and sign the following documentation:

1. **Student Agreement** – outlines the scholarship conditions and commitments by the student and their support network including their organisation's CEO and Line Supervisor.
2. **Griffith University Student Sponsorship Form** – required by Griffith University Finance to assign student account to QATSICPP's sponsorship.

Complaints/Grievances

Any complaints, grievances or disputes relating to the scholarships should be directed to the scholarships email scholarships@qatsicpp.com.au or kyliehipps@qatsicpp.com.au

Complaints may also be made directly to the Chief Executive Officer of QATSICPP. The complaint or request will then be recorded in the complaints register.



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Key Dates

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5 August 2024 – Applications Open

6 September 2024 – Applications Close

20 September 2024 – Applicants notified of outcome.

Griffith University

5 August 2024 – Applications Open for Graduate Certificate

21 October 2024 – Applications Close

21 October 2024 – GUMURRII Student Orientation

4 November 2024 – Trimester 3 starts.

Queries

If you have read the Guidelines, meet the eligibility criteria, familiarised yourself with the Conditions of the scholarship and would like an application pack, please contact:

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