



## DUCHESNE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP (FOR NEW STUDENTS)

The “Duchesne College Scholarship” has been established with the object of assisting a student to undertake her undergraduate university degree whilst residing in Duchesne College. The number of scholarships to be awarded each year (maximum of three) will be determined by the Duchesne College Foundation and the Duchesne College Council.

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

#### 1. Interpretation

In these Conditions:

**Award** shall mean the “Duchesne College Scholarship”;

**Student** shall mean the person holding the award;

**College** shall mean Duchesne College;

**Council** shall mean the Council of Duchesne College;

**Full-time** shall normally mean the completion of 16 UQ units per year. In special circumstances, completion of 12 units may be acceptable;

**GPA** shall have the meaning which appears in the Admission Rules of The University of Queensland.

#### 2. Introduction

Duchesne College promotes diversity and equality of access to a College experience. It is recognised that the many of our students come from backgrounds where College fees present a considerable challenge. The College hereby provides a scholarship for a student who, because of her circumstances, might otherwise be unable to undertake her undergraduate university studies as a Resident of Duchesne College.

#### 3. Administration

3.1 The award shall be made by the Council after its consideration of a short list of candidates which has been prepared by the selection committee (see 8 below).

The Council reserves the right not to award a scholarship in any given year or to share the award between two or more students.

3.2 The award shall be administered by the Head of College.

#### 4. Eligibility

Applications may be made by any student who meets the criteria outlined below and who is enrolled for her first year of a full-time undergraduate university degree and has made an application for a place at Duchesne College. Holders of other awards or scholarships are eligible to apply for this Scholarship. The eligibility factors are:

- a. The student comes from a family living in a rural or regional area of Australia;
- b. The student has experienced a “hard” pathway to gaining university entry. This may be as a result of medical, financial or other family circumstances.



## 5. Value & Payments

5.1 The Award is to the value of \$5000, granted as a **remission of the College annual fee**, half the amount of which will be applied at the commencement of each academic semester.

5.2 The Council may in its absolute discretion determine whether or not the award is to be shared between two or more applicants.

## 6. Duration of Award

The Award shall be **tenable for one year**, on the understanding that the student must achieve a minimum GPA of 4 at the end of the first semester. If at any time the student fails to comply with the provisions of the Award, including any of these terms and conditions, the Council may terminate the award or withhold any further benefits. Where an award is cancelled pursuant to the provisions of this clause, it may, for the remainder of the term for which the original holder would have been entitled to it, be awarded to another suitable candidate.

## 7. Selection Criteria

The Award will be made on the basis of:

- (a) commitment to the degree/discipline to be undertaken;
- (b) commitment to the life and service of Duchesne College;
- (c) leadership and personal qualities;
- (d) demonstrated financial need.

The Council will take into account other awards, bursaries and/or scholarships in its ranking of the candidates.

## 8. Awarding of Scholarship

Applicants will complete an application form which will be considered by a selection committee to include the Head of College, Deputy Head and a member of the Duchesne College Council. The applicant's information, including references, currently held by the College will be taken into account in the selection process. The selection committee will present a short list of recipients to the Duchesne College Council for approval. All applicants will be notified in writing of the outcome of their application.

## 9. Public Recognition of Award

As the awarding of the Duchesne College Scholarship is not based on financial need alone, the College will recognise the scholarship recipient at an awards dinner.