



CSU UNIVERSITY PATHWAY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

APPLICATION FORM

Section A. Personal Details

Family Name:	1st Given Name :	2 nd Given Name:
Sex <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	Date of Birth: / /	
TAFE Student I.D.:	CSU Student I.D. Number (if applicable):	
Home Address:	State:	Postcode:
Email:	Facsimile No.:	
Daytime contact Telephone No.:	Mobile No.:	
Will you be in receipt of another Scholarship in 2010? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Name of Scholarship: _____ Amount per annum: \$.....		

Section B. Citizenship

Eligibility for a CSU University Pathway Scholarship is based on the following citizenship categories.

Please tick ✓ the appropriate box and attach a copy of any identified visa to your application form.

Australian citizen	<input type="checkbox"/>
Holder of an Australian permanent resident visa	<input type="checkbox"/>
Holder of an Australian permanent resident humanitarian visa	<input type="checkbox"/>
Holder of a temporary protection visa	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section C. Enrolment and Study Details

Q. 1 Do you expect to be enrolled at CSU as a full-time undergraduate Commonwealth Supported Student (i.e. HECS or HECS-HELP) in the First Session of study in 2010? Yes No

If NO, please list when you intend commencing study at CSU: _____

Q. 2 Name of CSU Course/s you intend applying for?

Q. 3 Have you previously completed a University level undergraduate course/s? Yes No

Q. 4 Name of previously completed undergraduate level course/s:

Q. 5 Name of current or completed course/s with TAFE:

Course Name: _____	Year Completed: _____
Course Name: _____	Year Completed: _____
Course Name: _____	Year Completed: _____

• **Please attach copies of Transcripts of the above mentioned courses (Q4 & Q5) to this application form.** Note: All applicants upon acceptance of a scholarship offer must provide a certified copy of transcripts showing completion of their Diploma or Advanced Diploma, if not already supplied with their application.

Instructions - Sections D, E and F.

Eligibility for a CSU University Pathway Scholarship requires applicants to demonstrate **AT LEAST ONE** of the following (i.e., applicants may apply under one or more section below):

1. High Level of Academic Performance (**Section D must be completed**).
 - a. Applicants must have achieved a Grade point Average (GPA) of 5 or above (CIT students); **or**
 - b. have a high level of academic performance with one of the participating TAFE Institutions.
2. Industry Experience and Expertise in the Workplace (**Sections D and E must be completed**).
 - a. Applicants must have achieved a GPA of 3 and above (CIT students); **or**
 - b. have a pass level of academic performance with one of the participating TAFE Institutions; **and**
 - c. have demonstrated a high level of industry experience and expertise in the workplace.
3. Financial Hardship (**Sections D and F must be completed**).
 - a. Applicants must have achieved a GPA of 3 and above (CIT students); **or**
 - b. have a pass level of academic performance with one of the participating TAFE Institutions; **and**
 - c. have demonstrated financial hardship (e.g., recipient of a means tested Centrelink Benefit).

Section D. Academic Performance

CANBERRA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS (current or previous)

- Applicants who have **recently completed a Diploma or Advanced Diploma** at the Canberra Institute of Technology (CIT), within the last three years, must submit with their application a graded Academic Transcript, showing the Grade Point Average (GPA) and demonstrating the completion of the Diploma or Advanced Diploma.
- Applicants who are **currently studying** at the Canberra Institute of Technology (CIT) and are in the final year of a Diploma or Advanced Diploma must submit an *Academic Record Assessment* **and** *Written Recommendation* (see below) completed by a CIT Course Coordinator or other CIT Official Representative.
- CIT Applicants who may be **unable to submit a graded Academic Transcript** demonstrating the completion of a Diploma or Advanced Diploma with a GPA, must submit an *Academic Record Assessment* **and** *Written Recommendation* (see below) completed by a CIT Course coordinator or other CIT Official Representative.

TAFE WESTERN OR TAFE NSW RIVERINA INSTITUTE STUDENTS (current or previous)

- Applicants who **have recently completed a Diploma or Advanced Diploma** within the last 3 years; **or**
- who are **currently studying** and are in the final year of a Diploma or Advanced Diploma at either TAFE Western or TAFE NSW Riverina Institute must submit an *Academic Record Assessment* **and** *Written Recommendation* (see below) completed by a TAFE Course Coordinator or other TAFE Official Representative.

Note: All applicants upon acceptance of a scholarship offer must provide a certified copy of transcripts showing completion of their Diploma or Advanced Diploma, if not already supplied with their application.

Section F. Financial Hardship Information

Financial Hardship will be taken into account when assessing applications for the CSU University Pathway Scholarship Program.

- You only have to complete **ONE** question in this financial hardship section – Q6, Q7, or Q8.
- Meeting the financial hardship prerequisite scholarship eligibility criterion does not guarantee that you will be awarded a scholarship as CSU University Pathway Scholarship Program is awarded as a result of a competitive application process.

Q.6 Do you receive a means-tested Commonwealth income support payment e.g. Youth Allowance.

Abstudy, Austudy, Newstart, Disability Support Pension, etc.

Yes No

If yes, please attach a current Centrelink Income Statement (dated no more than one month old)

“Means-tested” income support payments are subject to both an income and assets test, as per the examples listed above. N.B. Family Tax Benefit Part A and Family Tax Benefit Part B are NOT income and assets tested payments.

Q.7 Do you expect to receive a predicted means-tested income support payment before the CSU

HECS Census Date of session 1, 2010 (26 March 2010)?

Yes No

(If you have answered yes to question 6 you do not have to complete this question).

If **yes**, what type of means-tested Commonwealth income support payment do you expect to receive in 2010? _____

Important: *You will be required to provide details confirming your receipt of a means-tested Commonwealth income support payment before you receive your scholarship payment. Failure to provide these details will result in the award of a CSU University Pathway Scholarship being withdrawn.*

Q.8 If you are not in receipt of a means tested Commonwealth benefit but wish to claim exceptional financial hardship? Only complete the personal statement below if you answered NO to Q6 or Q7 and you believe you can demonstrate *exceptional* financial hardship e.g. you are in a drought declared area, have low income, etc.

This question is for applicants who experience exceptional financial hardship, but who are not in receipt of a means-tested Commonwealth income support payment. This generally does not include applicants whose family income is above the threshold for eligibility for a means tested Commonwealth income support payment in 2010.

a) Explain why you are not eligible for a means-tested Commonwealth income support payment in 2010

b) Describe the exceptional financial hardship you are experiencing and will continue to experience in 2010.

c) What was the period of the exceptional financial hardship up until now? Years _____ Months _____

d) Do you expect your exceptional financial hardship to continue in 2010 and beyond? If so, for how long? Please explain why:

Documentation required for demonstrating exceptional financial hardship

- (i) You **must** attach to your application the following documents if applicable to you and any other documents you wish in order to demonstrate your exceptional financial hardship:
 - an ATO *Notice of Financial Assessment* for the last financial year and a copy of a current payslip showing YTD income earned;
 - a copy of your Health Care Card;
 - Exceptional circumstances documentation for drought affected areas;
 - a copy of a statement with details of any Centrelink payment you are receiving that is not both income and assets-tested.
- (ii) If you are living with your parent/s (or with a partner) and you are being financially supported you must also attach to your application evidence of your parent/s' (partner's) income (e.g. an ATO *Notice of Financial Assessment* for the last financial year and a current payslip showing a YTD amount earned).
- (iii) If you are being financially supported by your parent/s (whether you are living with them or not) or by your partner they must also prepare a statement that they are supporting you. In the statement they must also provide details of any other dependent children, including their ages and whether or not they are tertiary students at home or away.

Privacy Statement

Personal information provided for the administration of the CSU University Pathway Scholarship Program is protected by the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (NSW). The information collected will only be used by authorised staff to assess ongoing eligibility and administer the CSU University Pathway Scholarship Program. Students should be aware that they provide information of their own free will.

Personal information provided by you will not be made available to any person within the University or any person or organisation outside the University for any other purpose without the student's consent, except where the University may be legally required to do so. Students may access their personal information to ensure that it is not inaccurate, irrelevant to the purpose for which it was collected, misleading, incomplete or out-of-date.

Students may also ask the Equity Scholarships Officer to amend any of the information held about them or to add comments or explanations in relation to their information. To do any of these things, students should contact the Equity Scholarship Officer.

Students dissatisfied with the way the University has handled their personal information may apply to have the matter reviewed by lodging a formal application with the CSU Ombudsman.

CHECK LIST

Please tick the check list below to indicate you have read and understood the CSU University Pathway Scholarship Program Guidelines and attached the appropriate documentation as required:

- I certify that the information supplied on this form and in the accompanying documents is complete, true and correct.
- I understand that giving false or misleading information is a serious offence under the Criminal Code.
- I understand that incorrect information may render my CSU University Pathway Scholarship Program application invalid, and in such a case, the CSU University Pathway Scholarship Program Committee may revoke the scholarship.
- I have read and understand the CSU University Pathway Scholarship Program Guidelines.
- I have read and understand the Privacy statement.
- I have kept a copy of this application and all documents for reference.

Citizenship

- I have attached the required documents supporting my Visa status and they have all been correctly verified that they are exact copies of the original document.

Academic Performance

- I have completed Section D and have attached all stated Academic Transcripts and they have all been correctly verified that they are exact copies of the original documents.

OR

- I have had my Course Coordinator or other TAFE Official Representative complete the *Academic Record Assessment and Written Recommendation* in Section D.

Industry Experience and Expertise in the Workplace (if applicable)

- I have completed Section E and have attached the required documents supporting my Industry Experience and Expertise in the Workplace statement and they have all been correctly verified that they are exact copies of the original document(s).

Financial Hardship (if applicable)

- I have completed Section F and have attached my Centrelink Income Statement or other Financial Hardship documentation and they have all been correctly verified that they are exact copies of the original document(s).

Signature _____ Date _____
(Signature of applicant)

Please return this form and supporting documentation no later than Friday 27 November 2009 to:

Post to:

Confidential – CSU University Pathway Scholarship Program
Division of Student Services
Charles Sturt University
PO Box 789
ALBURY NSW 2640

OR SCAN & EMAIL: scholarships.officer@csu.edu.au OR FAX TO: 02 6051 9748

Further information on the CSU University Pathway Scholarship Program

can be obtained by contacting:

Carol Colombera
Equity Scholarship Officer
Telephone: 02 6051 9976

Email: scholarships.officer@csu.edu.au

OR from the website at: www.csu.edu.au/student/scholarships/undergraduate/tafe/