



Don Hawke Memorial Scholarship

INFORMATION SHEET

The *Don Hawke Memorial Scholarship* was established via a personal gift from the late Jean Pearce to support commencing students from a financially disadvantaged and rural or isolated background in South Australia, including Whyalla and Mt Gambier. The scholarship aims to support young people who have completed a senior secondary qualification within the last two years and who have gained life experience outside of school.

Applications will open from June of the year before the scholarship is offered and will close in September of the same year. In order to apply applicants must have already received an offer from UniSA and deferred their study.

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for the scholarship:

- Applicants must have had a gap year between leaving high school and commencing university studies.
- Applicants must have completed their secondary schooling within two years prior to commencing their UniSA program.
- Applicants must have received a UniSA offer and deferred their place for no more than two years, and be using that time to gain experience outside of school.

Other requirements include:

- Applicants must be Australian citizens or permanent residents.
- Applicants must be enrolled full-time.
- Applicants must have lived in a rural or isolated area of South Australia (including Whyalla and Mt Gambier) for at least three of the four years immediately prior to the scholarship application. Applicants from Whyalla or Mt Gambier will only be eligible for this scholarship if the program of study is located at a UniSA campus other than their home town.
- Applicants must have had a minimum of one but no more than two years between completing secondary studies and commencement of the scholarship.
- Applicants must not have already attended a tertiary or higher education institution.
- Applicants must provide a personal written statement outlining their proposed university program, details of financial disadvantage and career and personal goals. They should also include details of any previous awards or scholarships that they have received.
- Applicants must provide details of their income, and the income of all the people in their household/family and any person(s) they support or are supported by, for the previous two full financial years.
- Applicants must provide a list of the SACE subjects that make up their ATAR score.
- Applicants must be prepared to provide statements from two referees as character references. At least one of these references must be from a referee who is not connected to the applicant's school.
- Applicants must not be in receipt of any other scholarships administered by UniSA during the scholarship term.

Recipients will be selected on the basis of financial disadvantage, a personal written statement and character references.

Payment

The scholarship is valued at up to \$25,000 per annum, for the duration of the recipient's program (up to a maximum of 5 years). The scholarship will cover fees, accommodation, living and other expenses relating to the program of study. Disbursement of the scholarship funds will include a stipend payment made to the student for living and other expenses on a fortnightly basis during Study Periods only. Payment of the stipend will commence at the beginning of Study Period 2 in the first year of full-time studies. The stipend will not normally be paid during the end of year break unless the recipient chooses to enrol in additional Study Periods. Payment of the stipend will re-commence in Study Period 2 in the following year.

Conditions for ongoing eligibility of the scholarship

- Recipients must demonstrate satisfactory academic progress in their studies at the University (as defined in the University's Assessment Policy and Procedures Manual) to continue to receive the scholarship.
- Recipients may transfer their program and must advise the Alumni and Development Office of their intention to do so. Any changes will be reported to the selection committee.
- Continuance of the scholarship is subject to the recipient's adherence to the scholarship criteria. Decisions to terminate a recipient's scholarship will be at the discretion of the selection committee, but will be based on these rules.

Notes

- The scholarship may be counted as income against Youth Allowance or other forms of Government assistance payments. Applicants should seek independent financial advice.

Lodgement Details and Closing Dates

It is important to submit all relevant documentary evidence to support your application. Failure to do so will mean that the application will not be considered.

The application including all supporting documentation should be returned by **COB on Friday 3rd October 2014** to:

Don Hawke Memorial Scholarship
Mr Chris Crabbe
Development Officer (Corporate and Named Scholarships)
Advancement Services
University of South Australia
GPO Box 2471
ADELAIDE SA 5001

Further information is available from:

Mr Chris Crabbe
Advancement Services
Tel: (08) 8302 7634
Email: foundation.officer@unisa.edu.au

Confidentiality - all information you provide in this application will be treated as confidential according to University Policy A.46 Confidentiality of Students' Personal Information. Your personal information can only be released in special circumstances, where the law requires, or where you give permission.

Don Hawke Memorial Scholarship – 2014/15 Application

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Personal Details	
First Name:	
Family Name:	
Date of Birth:	Gender: Male Female
Permanent Home Address:	
State: Postcode:	
Have you lived in a rural or isolated area for at least three of the four years immediately prior to scholarship application (Whyalla and Mount Gambier are included as isolated areas for the purpose of this scholarship)? Yes No	
Australian Citizen: Yes No	Permanent resident: Yes No
As part of the selection process you may be invited to attend an interview with the Selection Panel. Are you prepared to do so? Yes No	
Mobile Telephone Number:	
Email Address:	
Study Details	
Do you intend to relocate from a rural area to Adelaide, Whyalla or Mt Gambier in 2015 to pursue full-time undergraduate study at UniSA? Yes No	
What program do you intend to study at UniSA?	
Campus	
Are you a recent school leaver, defined as a person who has completed a senior secondary qualification not more than two years prior to application? Yes No	
Secondary School Name and Address	
Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR) score:	UniSA ATAR (including bonus points):

Please list the SACE subjects that make up your ATAR score:

Have you ever attended a Tertiary or Higher Education Institution? *Yes* *No*

Are you in receipt of any other Scholarship or Grant administered by UniSA? *Yes* *No*

Have you been offered a place at UniSA and deferred? *Yes* *No*

If yes, in what year did you defer?

What year do you intend to commence your studies at UniSA?

UniSA Student ID Number (if known):

Income / support details

<p>1.</p>	<p>Are you or the person(s) you are dependent on <u>currently</u> in receipt of a:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Government benefit (eg benefit from Centrelink) or any other form of benefit; OR ▪ Health Care Card (not a Medicare card); OR ▪ Pensioner concession card <p>Yes No</p>	
<p>1a.</p>	<p>If 'Yes' to question 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ please detail the benefit or cards; and ▪ who is currently in receipt of them: 	<p>If 'No' to question 1:</p> <p>Have you or the person(s) you are dependent on ever been assessed by Centrelink or similar Government department?</p> <p>Yes No</p> <p>If yes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ what is the name(s) of the person(s) assessed?: <p>_____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ when was the last assessment? (approximate date): <p>_____</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ which department assessed the person(s)? (eg Centrelink): <p>_____</p> <p>Why was the assessment unsuccessful? (eg high income earner, or above threshold)</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p>Name of person:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>Name of current benefit or card:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	

Income / support details cont...(2)

You must list:

- all of the person(s) including yourself in your family household.

For each person listed (including yourself) you must complete all boxes on each row. Where the question is not applicable to that person(s), please indicate with 'N/A'.

Personal information						Financial Year July 2012 – June 2013	Financial Year July 2013 – June 2014
One row for each person.	All of the person(s), including yourself in your household / family. Please write the name of the person.	What is their relationship to you? E.g. child, brother, partner, defacto, parent, foster parent, foster child etc.	What is the age of this person? If you are unsure of exact age or cannot state exact age please write 'Over 18' or 'Under 18'.	Is this person a student? Yes or No	Does this person have a disability? Yes or No	Total income received Income includes wages, salary, dividends, scholarship, grant or prize payments, Government benefit payments, parenting payments etc. If the person does not have an income please write N/A	Total income received Income includes wages, salary, dividends, scholarship, grant or prize payments, Government benefit payments, parenting payments etc. If the person does not have an income please write N/A
Applicant	(Yourself)	'N/A', as you are the applicant.		Yes		\$	\$
2.						\$	\$
3.						\$	\$
4.						\$	\$
5.						\$	\$
6.						\$	\$

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Income/support details cont...(3)

1) What were your total gross earnings (before tax) from paid employment in your gap year/s?
Do not include Centrelink payments in this figure.

1/1/2014 – 31/7/2014 \$ _____

1/1/2013 – 31/12/13 (if applicable) \$ _____

2) What was the total amount of payments received (by child and/or custodial parent) from a non-custodial parent for each financial year?

2013-2014 \$ _____ 2012-2013 \$ _____

Income documentation

Please include the following with your application:

1) The most recent tax return statement for each person in your household (previous financial year for the period 1st July 2013 – 30th June 2014); and

2) The tax return statement for each person in your household from the financial year period 1st July 2012 – 30th June 2013.

In the case where a person:

- does not have a tax return (has not been assessed by the taxation office) please provide alternative supporting documentation
 - has had a non taxable income (and therefore may not have a tax return) for the period please provide a summary of the total income for that period from the provider(s) of the income.
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Character References

Please attach a written statement from two character referees who must also verify that you have lived in a rural or isolated area for at least three of the past four years prior to the scholarship application. **NB At least one of the references must be from a referee NOT connected to the applicant's school.**

Please note that your referee must not be related to you. Examples of a suitable referee could include an employer, teacher, school principal, lawyer, social worker, religious or community leader, Justice of the Peace (JP). **Once completed, the referees must sign below and the statements should be attached and returned with this application.**

Referee 1 Declaration

I declare that the information provided in my statement is an accurate character reference of the applicant.

Name of referee (please print):

Signature of referee:

Date:

Postal address:

State:

Postcode:

Mobile Telephone number:

Occupation/Title:

Referee 2 Declaration

I declare that the information provided in my statement is an accurate character reference of the applicant.

Name of referee (please print):

Signature of referee:

Date:

Postal address:

State:

Postcode:

Mobile Telephone number:

Occupation/Title:

Applicant Declaration

I declare that the information I have supplied about my circumstances is true and complete and acknowledge that should this information be found to be incorrect; any scholarship awarded to me may be withdrawn. I authorise the University of South Australia to confirm my Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank to support my application.

Signature of applicant:

Date:

Checklist

Please check to make sure that you have provided the following information:

- Personal details
- Proposed study details
- Income/support details
- Evidence of income attached
- Personal written statement completed
- Character reference declarations completed and referee statements attached
- Applicant declaration – make sure you have signed this application
- Please retain a copy of this application for your records.