The Indigenous International Study Fund

The fund provides financial assistance for the costs associated with overseas study

Scholarship value and duration
Up to $10,000 tenable for the length of the research period

Eligibility criteria
This scholarship is open to students who:
- Are of Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background
- Are enrolled in an undergraduate or postgraduate coursework or research course
- Have been accepted and can provide proof of acceptance into the overseas institution of choice

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Background
The Indigenous International Study Fund was established in 2017 to help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students meet the costs associated with overseas study. The fund is designed to act as a supplementary financial boost for students having difficulty meeting their costs.

Selection criteria
Applications will be assessed on the basis of academic merit, and personal circumstance.

Applicants will be invited to submit a personal statement to support their application.

Payment schedule
The fund can provide up to $10,000 depending on the application, and will be paid out in one lump sum, generally two weeks before the travel date.
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Terms and Conditions

1. Background
   
a. Established in 2017, this Fund is to assist Indigenous and Torres Strait Islander students with the financial constraints associated with overseas study.

2. Eligibility
   
a. To be eligible for the Fund, applicants must be of Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background, which is subject to verification by Student Support Services at the University of Sydney.
   
b. Be enrolled in an undergraduate or postgraduate coursework or research course at the University of Sydney in the exchange year.
   
c. Have been accepted and provide proof of acceptance into the overseas institution of choice.

3. Selection Criteria
   
a. The Fund will be awarded on the basis of academic merit and personal circumstance.
   
b. The Fund will be awarded by a selection committee consisting of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Strategy and Services), or their nominated delegates.

4. Value
   
a. The Fund offers up to $10,000 for one year. The final award value is at the discretion of the University and will be confirmed at the time of award. It is to be paid in one lump sum, generally two weeks prior to the departure date.
   
b. Deferral of the Fund is not permitted and it is not transferable to another school, or university. Suspension of the Fund may be considered in extenuating circumstances
   
c. The award will be offered subject to the availability of funds.
   
d. No other amount is payable.

5. Ongoing eligibility
   
a. The student must remain enrolled in the relevant overseas study program.
   
b. The recipient must maintain full-time enrolment which is 24 credit points per semester during the tenure of this Grant.
   
c. The recipient must maintain a passing grade throughout.
   
d. The recipient must provide proof of enrolment and transcripts from the overseas institution upon their return.
6. **Termination**

a. The Fund will be terminated if the recipient:

   i. withdraws from an eligible course or fails to enrol,
   ii. commences part-time study without prior approval,
   iii. does not maintain satisfactory academic performance,
   iv. is determined by the University to be guilty of serious misconduct, including, but not limited to, having provided false or misleading information as part of their Grant application,
   v. does not resume study at the end of a period of approved leave, or
   vi. any other provision as indicated in these terms that would lead to termination.

b. Once terminated, the grant will not be reinstated.

c. Where a student is found guilty of serious misconduct or withdraws from the relevant course, the University reserves the right to request that any funds paid to the recipient be reimbursed.