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Scholarship Program

For 2024 & 2025 Entry

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Scholarships at Hunter Christian School are meticulously crafted to identify and foster talent while empowering students to pursue their interests. Hunter Christian School is dedicated to cultivating a diverse student body through a range of scholarship opportunities. Beyond the financial aid provided by these scholarships, students at Hunter Christian School become part of a vibrant community committed to excellence both inside and outside the classroom.

Recipients of scholarships at Hunter Christian School are expected to embody the school's values prior to enrolment, throughout the application process, and throughout their tenure at the institution. The scholarships at Hunter Christian School are guided by the motto: "Igniting a life of purpose" underscoring the belief that dedication and resilience lead to achievement.

Scholarship Offerings

- General Excellence
- STEM
- First Nations Community

Eligibility

- Semester 1 intake is open to both internal and external applications.
- Semester 2 intake is only available to external students.
- All applicants must be an Australian Citizen or a Permanent Resident of Australia.
- For an application to be reviewed by the Academic Council all requirements set out in this document must be submitted.
- Please refer to the Scholarship Policy on the Hunter Christian School website for specific criteria and tuition fee discount for each scholarship.

Application Fee

An application fee of \$105 is required to be paid online directly to Accademic Assessment Services who conducts the Academic Scholarship Examination. The enrolment application fee for Hunter Christian School will be waived for Academic Excellence and STEM Scholarships by using the code 'Scholarship'.

Scholarships are Competitive

It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that all required information is submitted in full, by the closing date listed. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Academic Council Decisions are Final

Scholarships are merit-based. Successful applicants are awarded scholarships after selection by the Hunter Christian School Academic Council. Decisions made by the Academic Council are final.

What is not included in the Scholarship

The cost of school uniforms, levies for camps, excursions, and IT.





Scholarship Timeline

11 March 2024	Scholarships open for entry
19 April 2024 (5:00pm)	Scholarships close for entry Applicants must have submitted all documentation on or before this date.
1, 2 & 4 May 2024	Online examinations (General Excellence and STEM only).
On or before 10 May 2024	Notification of shortlisted applicants Hunter Christian School will notify applicants who have been shortlisted for an interview.
13 - 17 May 2024	Interviews Interviews and family tours held for shortlisted applicants for all Scholarships.
On or before 17 May 2024	Successful and unsuccessful applicants notified about the outcome of their application.
During Term 2, 2024	Scholarship meetings with families



General Excellence Scholarships

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Criteria

Consistently exhibit exemplary academic performance and positive behaviour across all academic subjects, as evidenced by student achievement reports, a comprehensive portfolio of work, and references.

Show a significant level of participation in co-curricular activities, particularly in leadership roles and community service initiatives.

Demonstrate alignment with the general expectations set forth for Hunter Christian School scholarships through the successful completion of the interview process.

Application Requirements

1. Prepare a portfolio of evidence that supports your application, including:
 - Documentation of extracurricular activities, leadership roles, community service, and any other relevant accomplishments.
 - Submit the latest two school reports and NAPLAN test results as evidence of high academic achievement.
 - A personal statement or video addressing how you meet the expectations outlined in the scholarship criteria, including humility, collaboration, resilience, and a willingness to take risks in pursuit of excellence.
 - A personal statement (250 words max) or video (2 minutes Max) addressing the statement "What do I bring to enhance the Hunter Christian School Community."
 - Register and complete the Academic Assessment Services (AAS) Academic Scholarship Assessment.
2. Submit Application: Complete the Hunter Christian School online scholarship application form available on the Hunter Christian School website. Ensure that all required documents are uploaded and submitted along with your application.

Assessment of Application for Hunter Christian School General Excellence Scholarship

The scholarship candidates will be selected based on the assessment of the following criteria:

- AAS Academic Assessment
- Hunter Christian School Application Form
- Accompanying Portfolio
- Interview based on the submitted documentation



STEM Scholarships

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Criteria

STEM scholarships are open to ambitious individuals aspiring to excel in mathematics and science fields, demonstrating outstanding achievement in these domains. This encompasses a proven track record of excellence in applied sciences like computing, coding, design technology, and engineering.

Candidates should exhibit a capacity for both deep disciplinary understanding and interdisciplinary thinking within STEM disciplines, as demonstrated through their portfolio, interview performance, and references. A genuine passion for STEM subjects is essential. Additionally, candidates should display the potential and willingness to assume leadership roles within STEM initiatives at HCS.

For the Year 11 STEM scholarship, applicants are required to study at least 2 units of science, and 2-unit mathematics, as well as expressing an interest in pursuing a science-related degree.

Application Requirements

1. Prepare a portfolio of evidence that supports your application, including:
 - Submit a STEM portfolio that includes awards, participation and academic excellence in the STEM fields.
 - Submit the latest two school reports and NAPLAN test results as evidence of high academic achievement.
 - A personal statement video (2 minutes max) addressing the statement "What do I bring to enhance the Hunter Christian School STEM initiatives."
 - Register and complete the Academic Assessment Services (AAS) Academic Scholarship Assessment.
2. Submit Application: Complete the online scholarship application form available on the Hunter Christian School website. Ensure that all required documents are uploaded and submitted along with your application.

Assessment of Application for Hunter Christian School STEM Excellence Scholarship

The scholarship candidates will be selected based on the assessment of the following criteria:

- AAS Academic Assessment
- Hunter Christian School Application Form
- Accompanying Portfolio
- Interview based on the submitted documentation



First Nations Community Scholarships

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Criteria

First Nations Community scholarships are accessible to students residing in the local area who have displayed a deep connection to and dedication to their Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander heritage.

Applicants must be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent and hold official recognition of their heritage from their respective Aboriginal Communities.

Application Requirements

1. Prepare a portfolio of evidence that supports your application, including:
 - Submit evidence on letterhead or with the official seal from the applicant's Local Aboriginal Land Council, which confirms the applicant's First Nations Heritage.
 - Submit the latest two school reports and NAPLAN test results.
 - A personal statement (250 words max) or a video (2 minutes max) addressing the statement "What does my culture mean to me."
2. Submit Application: Complete the Hunter Christian School online scholarship application form available on the Hunter Christian School website. Ensure that all required documents are uploaded and submitted along with your application.

Assessment of Application for Hunter Christian School First Nations Community Scholarship

The scholarship candidates will be selected based on the assessment of the following criteria:

- Hunter Christian School Application Form
- Accompanying Portfolio
- Interview



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