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# AIQS DONALD NAPIER SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA AND CONDITIONS (AUGUST 2023)

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# 1. INTRODUCTION

This policy sets out the requirements of the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (AIQS) for the awarding of the AIQS Donald Napier Scholarships (“scholarship”) available for students.

The AIQS is a professional standards body. Through its leadership, standards and code of ethics, it ensures that practising members are dedicated to maintaining the highest standards of professional excellence. The Institute is a national organisation with Chapters in all States and Territories. It also has a strong overseas membership and is the Australian peak body to the International Cost Engineering Council and the Pacific Association of Quantity Surveyors.

# 2. SCHOLARSHIPS

The AIQS offers the AIQS Donald Napier Scholarships for Year 12 students who qualify for entry into a Quantity Surveying, Construction Economics, Construction Management (Economics) or other appropriate course at an AIQS accredited university in Australia.

Of the scholarships offered, at least one Institution Equity Scholarship will be awarded. Equity Scholarships help disadvantaged students with the general costs associated with tertiary study. Eligibility information for Institution Equity Scholarships can be found in section 4.

# 3. SCHOLARSHIP VALUE

The total value of the AIQS Donald Napier Scholarship is AU\$5,000. This includes the following:

- a monetary value of AU\$4,000 (\$1,000 upon enrolment / \$1,000 after completion of 8 units / \$2,000 upon completion of the degree)
- AIQS published textbooks, including the Australian and New Zealand Standard Method of Measurement
- AIQS Student Membership whilst studying the accredited degree; and
- One-year free AIQS Graduate Membership upon graduation from the degree

# 4. APPLICATION CRITERIA

To be eligible for an AIQS Donald Napier Scholarship, applicants must:

- be an Australian permanent resident, or citizen;
- be enrolled in Year 12 in Australia; and
- have achieved reasonable results in English and Mathematics units whilst in Year 11.

To be eligible for the Institute Equity Scholarship, applicants must

- be an Australian permanent resident, or citizen;
- be enrolled in Year 12 in Australia;
- have achieved reasonable results in English and Maths units whilst in Year 11; and
- demonstrate of one or more of the following:
  - ✓ financial hardship,
  - ✓ carer responsibilities,
  - ✓ Indigenous Australian,
  - ✓ long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse,
  - ✓ refugee status,
  - ✓ regional or remote disadvantage, or
  - ✓ sole-parent responsibilities.

The AIQS will consider the above educational disadvantages in line with the University Admissions Centre requirements. Please refer to the [UAC website<sup>1</sup>](#) for details on definitions and supporting documents to be supplied.

## 5. APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Application for an AIQS Donald Napier Scholarship involves the following components:

- Complete the Scholarship Application Forum. This must include certification from the applicant's Parent or Guardian, and School or College Principal
- Include a certified copy of the applicant's Year 11 or 12 academic record, results and report.
- Complete a 500-word essay (refer section 6. Essay Guidelines)
- Inclusion of supporting documents

## 6. ESSAY GUIDELINES

- The essay should be written on the following topic:  
"Describe the role and services of the Quantity Surveyor and comment on your view of the future of the Quantity Surveying profession."
- The essay length should be 500 words (+/- 10%) excluding the reference list.
- The essay should have an introduction, body and conclusion.
- Any sources of information must be referenced in a reference list.
- The essay should use a plain serif (e.g. Times New Roman) or sans serif (e.g. Arial) font. Size 12 font for the text and size 14 font for any headings. Double or 1.5 space the essay paragraphs.

## 7. APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Applications must be submitted to [education@aigs.com.au](mailto:education@aigs.com.au). Applications must be received by AIQS by close of business on the closing date stated on the Scholarship Application Form.

## 8. ACCEPTANCE OF SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS & PAYMENTS

Conditions apply to the acceptance of AIQS Donald Napier Scholarships. These conditions are as follows:

- The scholarship recipient must enrol and be accepted into a course at an Australian University accredited by the AIQS. A list of these courses is available in the AIQS Accredited Course Guide.
- The scholarship recipient must successfully pass 8 units of the accredited course and then be awarded the accredited degree to receive the subsequent payments of the scholarship.
- It is the responsibility of the recipient to provide the necessary documentation outlined in Section 9 for the scholarship instalments to be made.
- The scholarship recipient's parent or guardian must guarantee to repay the scholarship to the AIQS if the recipient fraudulently claims scholarship payments. Such repayment is to be made within one month of notification from the AIQS.
- The accredited degree must be completed within six years to be awarded the final instalment of the scholarship.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/scholarships-and-schemes/equity-scholarships/disadvantages-and-documents>

- Should a scholarship recipient defer the offer of acceptance by an accredited university for a “gap year”, the scholarship may also be deferred for up to 12 months.
- Membership of the AIQS is governed by the AIQS Membership Entry and Advancement Policy applicable at the time of application.
- Scholarships are awarded by the AIQS Board. Decisions made on scholarship recipients are final and cannot be contested.

## 9. PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIPS

### FIRST INSTALMENT

The recipient must provide the AIQS Education & Events Manager, [education@aiqs.com.au](mailto:education@aiqs.com.au), a copy of their university student enrolment advice which identifies the accredited course being undertaken.

Upon receipt, the AIQS Education & Events Manager will arrange a presentation at the most local Napier & Blakeley office through the local chapter, where the AIQS will provide the first instalment of the scholarship amount to the recipient by cheque (or their nominated payee) and copies of relevant professional textbooks. Recipients will also be awarded student membership of the Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors.

### SECOND INSTALMENT

Once 8 units of the accredited course are completed, the recipient is entitled to the second instalment of their scholarship. The recipient must provide the AIQS Education & Events Manager, [education@aiqs.com.au](mailto:education@aiqs.com.au) a copy of their university student statement which identifies the 8 units which have been successfully completed.

Upon receipt, the AIQS will pay the scholarship amount to the recipient by EFT (or their nominated payee) to their nominated bank account.

### FINAL INSTALMENT

Once the recipient has been awarded their accredited degree, the recipient is entitled to the final instalment of their scholarship. The recipient must provide the AIQS Education & Events Manager, [education@aiqs.com.au](mailto:education@aiqs.com.au) a copy of their accredited university degree certificate.

Upon receipt, the AIQS will pay the final scholarship amount to the recipient by EFT (or their nominated payee) to their nominated bank account.

Upon graduation, the recipient may apply for Graduate Grade membership of the AIQS. The fees for the first 12 months of this membership will be waived.