

# SCHOLARSHIP AND AWARDS PROGRAM 2017



At South West TAFE we embrace the world of learning and all it has to offer. We provide a range of scholarships and awards to potential and currently enrolled students.



**Our scholarships and awards aim to create opportunities for those who might not otherwise have access to study, and to recognise those who have the drive and commitment to achieve their goals**

We also offer scholarships that target students in a particular course, or from a particular region, or background.

Each scholarship has its own criteria, and the application process can vary from one scholarship to the next.

We are continuously developing new scholarships so check regularly for the most up to date information.

If you have any questions regarding scholarships, please email [info@swtafe.vic.edu.au](mailto:info@swtafe.vic.edu.au) or phone us on **1300 648 911**.

**To apply online or for more information visit [swtafe.vic.edu.au/scholarships](http://swtafe.vic.edu.au/scholarships).**

## INDUSTRY AND REGIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

**To increase opportunities for those students who demonstrate a desire to participate in education and want to enter the workforce or go onto higher education.**

Selection is made by the SWTAFE scholarship panel and is based on:

- Having Australian Citizenship or holding an Australian permanent humanitarian Visa.
- Successful enrolment in a relevant 2017 South West TAFE course.
- Motivation and commitment to study.
- Not already a recipient of a South West TAFE Scholarship.

| SCHOLARSHIP  | VALUE  | HOW TO APPLY  | CLOSING DATE |
|--|--|---|--------------|
| Health   | Package up to \$2000 to assist with fees, books and materials  | Apply online. Only students enrolled in a Health Services course may receive the Health Scholarship.                                | 1 Feb 2017   |
| Community Services   | Package up to \$2000 to assist with fees, books and materials. | Apply online. Only students enrolled in a Community Services course may receive the Community Services Scholarship.                 | 1 Feb 2017   |
| ET Heard Scholarship (Agriculture Dairy)                     | Package up to \$4000 to assist with fees, books and materials  | Apply online. Only students enrolled in an Agriculture (Dairy) course may receive the Scholarship.                                  | 1 Feb 2017   |
| RC Webb Scholarship (Agricultural, Horticulture or Agronomy) | Package up to \$4000 to assist with fees, books and materials. | Apply online. Only students enrolled in a Agronomy, Agriculture, Horticulture course may receive the Scholarship.                   | 1 Feb 2017   |
| VCAL (Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning)             | Package up to \$2000 to assist with fees, books and materials. | Apply online. Only students enrolling in a VCAL course ,aged 25 or under at the time of enrolment may receive the VCAL Scholarship. | 1 Feb 2017   |
| Portland Regional Scholarship                                | Package up to \$2000 to assist with fees, books and materials. | Apply online. Only students enrolled in a course offered at the Portland Campus may receive the Portland Regional Scholarship.      | 1 Feb 2017   |
| Hamilton Regional Scholarship                                | Package up to \$2000 to assist with fees, books and materials. | Apply online . Only students enrolled in a course offered at the Hamilton Campus may receive the Scholarship.                       | 1 Feb 2017   |

## PRE-APPRENTICESHIP SCHOLARSHIPS

**To increase opportunities for those students who demonstrate a desire to participate in education and commence an apprenticeship.**

Selection is made by the relevant SWTAFE trade department and based on:

- Having Australian Citizenship or holding an Australian permanent humanitarian Visa.
- Successful enrolment in a relevant 2017 South West TAFE pre-apprenticeship course.
- Motivation and commitment to study.
- Not already a recipient of a South West TAFE Scholarship.

| SCHOLARSHIP                | VALUE  | HOW TO APPLY   | CLOSING DATE |
|----------------------------|--|--|--------------|
| Pre-apprentice Scholarship | Package up to \$500 to assist with fees, books and materials. Five scholarships available. | Apply online. Only students enrolling in a pre-apprenticeship course are eligible. | 1 Feb 2017   |



## COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP SCHOLARSHIPS

Our Community Partnership scholarships are created through the support of our community partners. They provide financial assistance to put towards the cost of courses, along with pathways to employment, higher education opportunities and internships.

Selection for these scholarships and internships vary according to the organisation. Please apply directly through the organisation's application process.

| SCHOLARSHIP   | VALUE  | HOW TO APPLY  | CLOSING DATE  |
|---|--|---|---|
| Brophy Family Youth Services (BFYS) + SWTAFE Community Services Scholarship | Funding of up to \$2000 per individual to help meet study costs, and the offer of a guaranteed second year student placement with BFYS. Two scholarships available.  | Applicants are required to complete the Brophy Family Youth Services Scholarship Application Form.  | 30 October 2016 for 2017<br>31 October 2017 for 2018    |
| Headspace Warrnambool Scholarship   | Funding up to \$3000 for students enrolling in a 2 year minimum course who have experienced health disadvantages and sought help from Headspace Warrnambool to pursue their studies. Three scholarships available. | Applicants are required to complete the Brophy Family Youth Services Scholarship Application Form.  | 1 March 2017  |
| Cruise Express, Glenelg Shire Council + South West TAFE Internship          | Cruise Express to supply a one month internship in Sydney, plus \$1,000 towards expenses. Additional support from Glenelg Shire Council provided.  | The internship will be awarded to a top achieving student in a Travel or Tourism course.  | December 2017   |
| Deakin University Pathways Award  | \$1,000 to assist with the costs associated with enrolling in a Deakin University Warrnambool Degree.  | Awarded to a South West TAFE graduate who has demonstrated outstanding qualities in preparing themselves to undertake higher studies towards a degree from Deakin University. | January 2017, awarded at SWTAFE Graduation Ceremony     |
| Peter Lucas Memorial Prize for Visual Arts                                  | This award gives a student the opportunity to hold their own exhibition at the Warrnambool Art Gallery, an invaluable experience for an emerging artist.   | It is open to all Diploma or Advanced Diploma Visual Arts students of SWTAFE, selected by an panel of staff in the Arts Department.   | October 2017, awarded at the annual student exhibition. |

## KOORIE SCHOLARSHIPS

Our Koorie scholarships are made possible through our Wurreker funding. Wurreker, launched in 2000, is the Vocational Education and Training (VET) strategy for Koorie students, developed through the Victorian Aboriginal Education Association's partnership with the Victorian State Government.

These scholarships are a partnership scholarship between South West TAFE and our South West regional Aboriginal community organisations.

Selection is based on:

- Successful enrolment in a 2017 South West TAFE course.
- Demonstration of community involvement.
- Identification of intended career pathway.
- Not already a recipient of a South West TAFE Scholarship.

| SCHOLARSHIP  | VALUE  | HOW TO APPLY   | CLOSING DATE |
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| Winda Mara Community Scholarship                         | Package up to \$2000 to assist with fees, books and materials.                       | Apply online. Selection made by the Winda Mara Committee.      | 1 Feb 2017   |
| DWEC (Dhauwurd-Wurrung Elder + Community Health Service) | Community Scholarship Package up to \$2000 to assist with fees, books and materials. | Apply online. Selection made by the DWEC Committee.            | 1 Feb 2017   |
| Gunditjmara Community Scholarship                        | Package up to \$2000 to assist with fees, books and materials.                       | Apply online. Selection made by the Gunditjmara Committee.     | 1 Feb 2017   |
| Kirrae Health Service Community Scholarship              | Package up to \$2000 to assist with fees, books and materials.                       | Apply online. Selection made by the Kirrae Health Committee.   | 1 Feb 2017   |
| Hamilton Health House Scholarship                        | Package up to \$2000 to assist with fees, books and materials.                       | Apply online. Selection made by the Hamilton Health Committee. | 1 Feb 2017   |

# SWTAFE AWARDS

In addition to these scholarships, SWTAFE also has a wide range of awards across a range of study areas.

| AWARD                           | AREA   | DESCRIPTION   |
|---------------------------------|--|---|
| Outstanding Student Awards      | Apprentice, Trainee, Vocational & Koorie student of the year | Presented at the annual Graduation + Awards ceremony, these awards recognise a number of students who have demonstrated outstanding efforts in their relevant course, based on nomination from teaching staff.  |
| Hair and Beauty Showcase Awards | Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy                              | Presented at the annual Hair and Beauty Showcase these awards cover Teachers Choice for Hairdressing, Hairdressing Apprentice of the Year, Teachers Choice for Beauty Therapy, Pure Academy Beauty Endeavour Award & Pure Academy Outstanding Beauty Student.                         |
| Gerard Kelly Award              | Building   | The Gerard Kelly award recognises a student who is moving forward in the building industry by completing a Certificate IV in Building and Construction.   |
| Brian Smith Award               | Carpentry  | This award is presented to the apprentice who has shown excellence in their efforts across all areas of their apprenticeship and treats their work colleagues and mentors with professionalism and respect.   |
| Shane Riordon Award             | Automotive   | This award is presented to the Best Third Year Automotive Apprentice who best displays qualities such as striving for excellence and displaying a passion for the trade.  |
| Jim Leahy Award                 | Electrical   | Awarded in honour of the late Jim Leahy of Leahy's Electrical, this award is presented to for the Best Fourth Year Electrical Apprentice who shows initiative in their studies and employment demonstrating diligence, persistence, perseverance and determination in their training. |
| Brian Crichton Endeavour Award  | Plumbing   | Given in recognition of the Best Third Year Plumbing Apprentice who has shown perseverance through schooling to overcome obstacles and achieve their goals.   |
| Andy Kinnear Award              | Engineering  | Presented to the Best Third Year Engineering Apprentice that displays the qualities that Andy Kinnear personified as a teacher including striving for excellence, thirst for knowledge, passion, and a desire to share knowledge and help others.                                     |

## OPTIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WITH YOUR STUDIES

### Other Scholarship Opportunities

There are also a number of scholarships available to students studying at TAFE from other funding sources. For a listing of all available scholarships visit [www.gooduniversitiesguide.com.au/scholarship/search](http://www.gooduniversitiesguide.com.au/scholarship/search)

### VET FEE-HELP

Study now and pay later with VET FEE-HELP!

VET FEE HELP is a fee assistance program available to both full time and part time students undertaking a Diploma or Advanced Diploma.

VET FEE-HELP is an income contingent Australian Government fee assistance scheme for the Vocational Education and Training (VET) sector that is part of the Higher Education Loan Program (HELP). Over a student's lifetime they may borrow through VET FEE-HELP an amount up to the FEE-HELP limit to pay their tuition fees.

The compulsory repayment threshold for the 2016-17 income year is \$54,126.

For more information visit [www.studyassist.gov.au](http://www.studyassist.gov.au).

### Institute Financial Assistance

Institute Financial Assistance packages are available to students studying full time and part time to assist with tuition and material fees. To apply for this assistance package the student must meet with an Education Pathways Officer and write a letter of application stating the students circumstance.

### Debit Success Payment Plan

You can use Direct Debit to pay the tuition, general services fee and course consumables. Please see the Education Pathways Officer to enquire about this. Conditions apply.

### Centrepay

If you receive a financial benefit from Centrelink you may have the option of deducting your tuition and general service fees directly from your Centrelink benefit, through Centrepay. Repayments of fees through Centrepay require you to pay fortnightly instalments to cover the outstanding amount (paid at a minimum of \$30 per fortnight) to be paid in full at least one month prior to the course completion date. Booklist items (resources) cannot be added to Centrepay.

### Trade Support Loans

Trade Support Loans assist eligible apprentices with everyday costs while they undertake their apprenticeship. Loans are paid in instalments totalling up to \$20,000 over four years. Uptake of the loan is optional. If they choose to opt in, it will be for six-monthly periods and apprentices can choose to opt out at any time.

The compulsory repayment threshold for the 2016-17 income year is \$54,126.

For more information on the Trade Support Loans and other apprentice initiatives visit [www.australianapprenticeships.gov.au/in-an-apprenticeship/financial-information](http://www.australianapprenticeships.gov.au/in-an-apprenticeship/financial-information).

### Centrelink

Various income support payments are available for eligible students at Centrelink including Austudy, ABSTUDY, Youth Allowance and concessions including a Health Care Card. For more information visit [www.humanservices.gov.au](http://www.humanservices.gov.au).



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