

Scholarships Financial Hardship Statement

Financial Hardship is a basic eligibility requirement for all Commonwealth and Equity Scholarships.

If you are unable to demonstrate financial hardship you will not be eligible for consideration for a Commonwealth or Equity Scholarship.

You should complete this form if you are experiencing exceptional financial hardship, but are not in receipt of a Centrelink (or other Commonwealth) income support payment.

Personal Statement

1. Explain why you are not eligible for a Centrelink (or other Commonwealth) means tested income support payment.

2. Describe your current means of support. Are you being supported by your parent/s (or partner)?

3. Describe the financial hardship you are expecting and will continue to experience in 2008.

4. How long have you been experiencing this financial hardship? _____

Documentation required for exceptional financial hardship

- a) You must attach to your application the following documents if applicable to you:
 - An ATO Notice of Final Assessment for the last financial year
 - Payslips for the last two months
 - A copy of your Health Care Card
 - A copy of a Centrelink statement that details any payment that you are receiving that is not means-tested.
- b) If you are living with your parent/s (or with a partner) and you are being financially supported you must also provide evidence of your parent/s (partners) income (eg an ATO Notice of Final Assessment from the last financial year).
- c) If you are being financially supported by your parent/s or by your partner they must also prepare a statement that they are supporting you. In the statement they must also provide details of any other dependent children, their ages and whether or not they are tertiary students at home or away.
- d) Attach to your application any other documents that will demonstrate your exceptional financial hardship.

All of the above documentation must be certified. Please list the documents you have attached.
