

Scholarship Program Information 2023

Scholarship Offer

Five (5) DIS graduates per year from the commencement date Semester 1 2023 that meet academic entry requirements will receive access to yearly tuition fee and on campus accommodation scholarships to reduce overall fees paid to \$AUD12,900 per annum (paid in two instalments).

Eligibility Criteria

- Applicants must commence any CDU Darwin undergraduate three-year program from Semester 1 2023 for on-campus study.
- Applicants must commence in full-time study mode.
- Applicants must meet the University's academic entry requirements for their chosen course through general international student admissions.
- Applicant must be an international student, not holding an Australian passport or residency.
- Applicants must be 18 years or older by the time they will commence their studies.
- Applicants must be a Timorese national who has completed their grade 12 studies at Dili International School.
- Applicant must have no outstanding fees or other unresolved matters with Dili International School.

Selection Criteria (See the second page for more information)

- Completion of DIS high school Y12 equivalent qualification and ATAR score that meets program entry requirements
- Supporting statement (up to 600 words) outlining why the student should be awarded a scholarship.
- Supporting statement (no more than one page) from one DIS school teacher.

Ongoing Eligibility

In order to retain the scholarship, the recipient must meet all the following:

- Continue to be an international student liable for international student fees.
- Pay their portion of the tuition fees on or before the payment due date (first day of teaching) of each semester.
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress each semester with a minimum GPA of 5.3 and with no fail grade in any unit.
- Maintain a full-time enrolment of 40 credit points (0.5 EFTSL) each semester or have the approval to reduce their study load or take a leave of absence for the semester.
- Adhere to all rules provided by Charles Darwin University pertaining to behaviour, as well as all Australian and Northern Territory laws and regulations.

Charles Darwin University retains the right to cancel a student's scholarship and enrolment with just cause at any point during a student's enrolment.



Application Process

Step 1:

Students will apply directly to Charles Darwin University using their online application system and provide proof of application to the DIS Secondary Principal. This should be done prior to ATARs being released on the 15th of December, 2022.

Step 2:

If Charles Darwin University offers a student a placement into their university, students must now apply for the scholarship through DIS. Applications must be submitted by 31st of December 2022. It is recommended that your application is prepared **in advanced**.

Step 3:

Successful applicants will be announced in January 2022 and students begin their Charles Darwin University studies on the 27th of February, 2023.

Submitting your application

Applications must be submitted in full by the 31st of December, 2022. Applications beyond this date will not be considered.

Applications must include:

- 1) Evidence of CDU university placement offer.
- 2) Evidence of final study scores and ATAR
- 3) Copy of passport
- 4) Applicant written statement (up to 600 words) outlining why the student should be awarded a scholarship. This statement should also include a description of why the applicant believes their chosen course will be of benefit to the development and wellbeing of Timor-Leste.
- 5) Supporting statement from one DIS school teacher.
- 6) Parent/carer declaration that they understand the requirements of the scholarship program and agree to the application.

Applications must be submitted to DIS Secondary Principal, Tim Blackman, via email: tblackman@distimor.org.

Applications will be reviewed and scholarships awarded by DIS Leadership. Students may be required to complete an interview at the request of DIS Leadership.

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Student Statement (up to 600 words)

Your statement should include:

- What course you've chosen and why you should receive the scholarship.
- How your chosen course will help you return and contribute to the development and wellbeing of Timor-Leste.
- Demonstrate how you've contributed to Dili International School as a student, including how you have upheld the values of Dili International School.
- Any other information that supports your suitability to continue higher education studies in Australia.

Parent Declaration

A parent declaration needs to be written (English or Tetun) which outlines:

- Support of the application, including why you believe your child should be awarded the scholarship.
- An understanding of their continued financial responsibilities if the applicant is successful to study in Australia.