

CDU Community Mental Health Occupational Therapy Placement Subsidy

MAXIMUM VALUE \$2,000

one-off payment

NUMBER AVAILABLE

7

PAYMENTS

\$2,000 one-off payment

DURATION

Semester 1, 2025

DONOR

Mental Health Pathways to Practice Grant

PURPOSE

This subsidy supports Occupational Therapy Masters students relocating more than 80km to or from a MM3-MM7 location for their placement, in clinical contexts that facilitate mental health service delivery.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- > Must be enrolled in any one of the following:
 - o Bachelor of Health Science/Master of Occupational Therapy,
 - Master of Occupational Therapy
- > Must be currently completing corresponding placements for any one of the following:
 - o OCC514 Mental Health Approaches in Occupational Therapy,
 - o OCC516 Adults and Older Adults
- > Must have completed the theory component of one of the following units (priority will be given to applicants who completed both units):
 - o OCC514 Mental Health Approaches in Occupational Therapy,
 - o OCC516 Adults and Older Adults
- Must travel into or out of rural or remote areas (MM3-MM7) to attend a placement situated at least 80km away from their home address. For definitions of MM3-MM7: Modified Monash Model (MMM) Suburb and Locality Classification Home Care Subsidy | Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- > Outline future plans and ambitions, including career goals, relevant to the field of occupational therapy, in particular, the mental health sector.
- > Outline your future plans and ambitious to support the remote and very remote occupational therapy practice.



PAYMENT OF BENEFITS

- > Each recipient will be paid by electronic funds transfer to their nominated bank account.
- > Payment will be made following confirmation from the Faculty that the recipient has satisfied both conditions:
 - Passed the coursework requirements for the unit that the placement corresponds to and
 - Have completed a remote placement that meets the eligible criteria for this scholarship
- > Payments are subject to the recipient satisfying ongoing eligibility criteria as outlined in this document
- > Payment will be made one(1) week before the start of an eligible placement, or three (3) weeks after a subsidy application is submitted, whichever occurs later.

DURATION

The duration of the subsidy is one (1) semester or when one of the following is true:

- > The maximum subsidy value has been exhausted;
- > The student has completed their course of study;
- The student no longer meets the ongoing eligibility of the subsidy.

SELECTION

Selection and awarding will take place when suitable nominations are received. Offers will be authorised by the Faculty. The decision of the Faculty is final and cannot be overturned.

OBLIGATIONS AND CONDITIONS:

- > The recipient must continue to be enrolled in the required study load in the course under which the Subsidy was granted at CDU.
- > The offer of the Subsidy is made subject to information provided by the recipient being true and accurate.
- > By accepting the offer of the Subsidy, each recipient agrees to the Subsidy Terms and Conditions.
- > The recipient is responsible for advising the lecturer of their relevant course of any changes in circumstances that would make them ineligible for continuation of the subsidy, e.g. terminating placements.

TERMINATION/RETURN OF SUBSIDY

The Subsidy will need to be returned:

- > If the recipient ceases to meet the eligibility criteria, or
- > If the recipient withdraws from their unit; or
- > If the recipient does not complete the required placement hours as reflected in OCC514 and/or OCC516 unit outline; or
- > If the recipient breaches any conditions of the Scholarship; or
- If CDU determines that the student is guilty of serious misconduct.

