



AIEF Tertiary Scholarship Application Form

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Section I: Information

About the scholarship

AIEF Tertiary Scholarships are awarded to AIEF Alumni who have successfully completed Year 12 at an AIEF Partner School and are undertaking a full time undergraduate or postgraduate degree at an Australian university.

Residential (students residing in a tertiary residential college) and non-residential students can apply for the scholarship, which provides financial assistance and ongoing professional development and career support from AIEF and its Corporate Partners. See the FAQ on page 3 for more information.

What does the scholarship offer?

- A living allowance of \$3,000 per annum.
- An education allowance of \$2,000 per annum.
- Ongoing support through the AIEF Pathways Program.

How do I apply?

You must submit a completed AIEF Tertiary Scholarship Application Form (2023) by Sunday, 16 October 2022 to be considered for the AIEF Tertiary Scholarship.

Applications will be assessed by AIEF, with an emphasis on:

- Level of need and current financial circumstances.
- Likelihood to successfully complete tertiary studies.
- Determination and willingness to actively participate in AIEF programs.
- Willingness to give back to the AIEF community including through connect and networking opportunities offered by the AIEF Pathways Program.

Am I eligible?

To be eligible for an AIEF Tertiary Scholarship, you must:

- Be an Australian resident in receipt of ABSTUDY (either a living allowance and/or the residential cost option entitlement), unless otherwise agreed by AIEF.
- Have successfully completed Year 12 at an AIEF Partner School, unless otherwise agreed by AIEF.
- Be enrolled full time, but not in the first year of an undergraduate degree at an Australian university; or be enrolled full time in a postgraduate degree at an Australian university.
- Have a current connection with AIEF through your ongoing engagement, participation in and support of the AIEF Pathways Program, as assessed and determined by AIEF.
- Not be in receipt of any other scholarship, cadetship, internship, career support or similar unless otherwise agreed by AIEF (including any other AIEF Tertiary Scholarship).
- Not be an employee of AIEF whilst in receipt of the scholarship.
- Agree to achieve successful academic progression to the next academic year (as assessed by the university).

Section I: FAQ

I am currently part way through my degree. Can I apply?

Yes. AIEF Tertiary Scholarships are open to current full time undergraduate and postgraduate students who have completed a minimum of one year of tertiary education and have successfully completed Year 12 at an AIEF Partner School.

Do I need to be living in a tertiary residential college to apply?

No. The AIEF Tertiary Scholarship is open to both residential and non-residential full time university students.

What does the scholarship include?

Both residential and non-residential students receive a total scholarship entitlement of \$5,000 per annum (consisting of a living allowance and an education allowance), paid in equal monthly instalments. The scholarship is tax free and applicants may continue to be eligible for ABSTUDY dependant on their individual circumstances.

What are my commitments on the Scholarship?

AIEF Tertiary Scholarship recipients are required to meet all Eligibility Criteria on an ongoing basis including the provision of academic results and/or transcripts on a semester by semester basis. Additionally, recipients must remain in regular contact with AIEF throughout their course of study and the years following, and take part in relevant AIEF Pathways Program activities.

What is the difference between a scholarship and a cadetship?

A scholarship is a financial grant provided by the government, industry or an organisation, which may include relevant work experience with a sponsor organisation. If a scholarship is principally provided for education purposes, with no contractual obligations for scholars to become an employee or provide labour or services in return for scholarship payments, these payments are not taxable.*

A cadetship is a full or part time role offered to students or graduates to provide specific training or mentoring. Cadets are required to provide labour as a condition of the cadetship and all cadetship payments are taxable, which may affect ABSTUDY payments (including eligibility for ABSTUDY).*

The AIEF Tertiary Scholarship is not taxable and applicants may continue to be eligible for ABSTUDY dependant on their individual circumstances.

* The information provided in this document regarding taxable income is referenced from <https://www.ato.gov.au/Calculators-and-tools/Is-my-scholarship-taxable/> and as such may be subject to change. AIEF is not a tax agent and is not qualified to provide tax advice.

Section 2: Student Application

If you run out of space, please complete your answers on a separate page and attach it to this form.

First Name	Middle Name
Last Name	
Preferred First Name <i>(If different from above)</i>	Preferred Last Name <i>(If different from above)</i>
Date of birth	Gender
Residential address	
State	Postcode
Postal address	Same as above <input type="checkbox"/>
State	Postcode
Email	
Home phone	Mobile
Dietary requirements <i>(For event purposes)</i>	
Are you: Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/> Torres Strait Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/>	
Where is your home community?*	
Do you identify with any other home communities? Please list:	
Do you identify as being part of any traditional owner groups? Please list:	

* AIEF defines 'home community' as the suburb or town from which your family originates. This may be different to your current place of residence, and may include more than one suburb or town.

Your education

If you run out of space, please complete your answers on additional pages attached to this form.

Are you an AIEF Alum who has successfully completed Year 12 at an AIEF Partner School?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>		
AIEF Partner School						
Year of graduation						
Are you studying, or have you previously studied at a tertiary institution?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Tertiary institution						
Course of study						
Year of degree in 2023 (e.g. second, third)						
Have you completed this course?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Currently studying	<input type="checkbox"/>
If no, why?						
Anticipated date of graduation (e.g. Semester 2, 2025)						
Are you currently residing or intending to reside in a tertiary residential college?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Name of college (if applicable)						

Academic results

Please indicate the State/Territory and secondary school certificate you have achieved:

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|------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ACT | Year 12 Certificate | <input type="checkbox"/> NSW | HSC |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NT | NTCE | <input type="checkbox"/> QLD | QCE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SA | SACE | <input type="checkbox"/> TAS | TCE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> VIC | VCE | <input type="checkbox"/> WA | WACE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> IB | State _____ | | |

Are you the first in your family to complete Year 12? Yes No _____

If no, please tell us who was the first and their relation to you, e.g. sister, father.

Are you the first in your family to attend university? Yes No

Will you be the first in your family to complete university? Yes No

Please attach copies of your academic results for the past two years. Include secondary and tertiary results, if applicable. Transcripts should specify the name of the educational institution, the term, semester or year assessed, the names of subjects/courses studied and the overall mark for each subject/course.

Successful applicants may be required to provide original or certified copies of this documentation before a scholarship can be awarded.

Other scholarships

Are you currently in receipt of a scholarship, bursary and/or cash prize?

Yes No

If yes, what is the value? \$ _____

If yes, please provide relevant details, including any employment, media, engagement or financial obligations of the scholarship, bursary and/or cash prize:

Have you been awarded a scholarship, bursary and/or cash prize in the past?

Yes No

If yes, please provide relevant details, including any employment, media, engagement or financial obligations of the scholarship, bursary and/or cash prize:

Have you, or are you currently engaged with any other scholarship, cadetship, career or mentor programs (e.g. Indigenous Cadetship Support (ICS), AIME, Career Trackers, QLD Reds, The Smith Family)?

Yes No

If yes, please provide relevant details, including program names, your involvement and any ongoing commitments or obligations:

Additional question

Please provide a typed response of no more than 500 words for this question in a word document.

Tell us about your career aspirations. How will an AIEF Tertiary Scholarship help you achieve these?

Declaration

I declare that the information supplied by me in this application is true, accurate and complete and that I have supplied all required supporting documents.

I understand that AIEF may request original copies of any submitted documents for the purpose of verification.

Additionally, I understand that the information collected about me in this form will be shared with third parties for the purpose of assessing my application for an AIEF Tertiary Scholarship (2023).

I consent to AIEF:

1. Keeping the information on this form.
2. Using this information to contact me about other opportunities.

Signature: _____ Dated: _____

Name: _____

Please be aware that, dependant on your personal circumstances, the AIEF Tertiary Scholarship may be treated as personal income for ABSTUDY purposes and therefore may affect your ABSTUDY entitlements. We encourage you to contact Centrelink to discuss your entitlements if you are concerned. AIEF has considered affects on ABSTUDY as part of developing the AIEF Tertiary Scholarship, and the value of the Scholarship has been determined accordingly.

Checklist

1. Ensure that you have read and understood each section of the application form.
2. Where applicable, mark the most relevant answer by putting a cross in the appropriate box.
3. Ensure that you specify the discipline you are currently studying or applying to study (page 5).
4. Ensure that the information you have provided in this form is complete and accurate.
5. Submit your completed application form including:
 - A typed response to the additional question (page 8).
 - Evidence that you are an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person. This may include:
 - An ABSTUDY statement from Centrelink.
 - Written confirmation by a recognised representative of your local Indigenous community of your Indigenous status (usually through your local land council, but other evidence will be considered).
 - A signed statutory declaration (AIEF can provide a template statutory declaration if needed).
 - Copies* of academic results and/or transcripts for the past two years – do NOT send original certificates and/or academic results or transcripts with this form.

Return your completed application form by Sunday, 16 October 2022 to AIEF by post or email:

By post: AIEF

AIEF Tertiary Scholarship Applications (2023)
Suite 2A Level 2
2-12 Foveaux Street
Surry Hills NSW 2010

By email:

Please attach a copy of your application to an email with the subject heading 'AIEF Tertiary Scholarship Applications (2023)' and send to applications@aief.com.au.

* If your application is successful, you may be asked to provide original or certified copies of documents.