

2 x scholarship value:

\$300

Application closing date:

5pm (AEDT), Friday 27 March 2026

Email: Rachael.Eldridge1@tafensw.edu.au

The Lions Club of Mt Panorama Equity Scholarships were established to provide support to committed students who are in need of financial assistance or encouragement to complete their studies.

The Scholarship delivers funds to help the successful applicants meet costs associated with their studies such as travelling to TAFE NSW Bathurst campus or travelling for work placement.

Eligibility criteria

To be eligible for the Scholarship you must meet **all** of the following eligibility requirements:

The Lions Club of Mt Panorama Equity Scholarship may be awarded to an eligible applicant who has completed and lodged an application form and who, as determined by the panel as eligible (in its sole discretion), satisfies all of the following criteria:

1. is currently enrolled in a TAFE NSW Bathurst course at the time of applying for and receiving the Lions Club of Mt Panorama Equity Scholarship;
2. demonstrates commitment to the course of study and career goals;
3. demonstrates a genuine need of financial assistance or encouragement to complete their studies; and
4. agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions outlined in this document.

Incomplete scholarship application forms will not be considered by the panel.

TAFE NSW is under no obligation to attempt to contact any applicant who incorrectly completes and/or submits an application form and will, at his or her discretion, contact an applicant on not more than two (2) occasions in an effort to obtain information which is missing, or has not been completed correctly. Should all required information not be provided, the application form will be withdrawn and notice sent to the applicant.

You must also be an Australian citizen, permanent resident, humanitarian visa holder or New Zealand citizen, be living in NSW and meet all of the applicable TAFE NSW enrolment requirements. Unless otherwise approved by TAFE NSW, you must commence the course in Semester 1, 2026 (or be continuing study in 2026) and cannot defer your commencement date.

Any scholarship awarded is on the basis that you enrol in a specified course and maintain an active enrolment status. Your scholarship may be terminated if your enrolment status changes (e.g. you withdraw from your course). If you are awarded the scholarship, any other TAFE NSW scholarship, grant or bursary that you currently hold will be rescinded.

How to apply

1. Send the completed scholarship application form and the supporting documents to Rachael.Eldridge1@tafensw.edu.au by the closing date, being 5pm (AEDT), Friday 27 March 2025. If your application is received after the closing date, is incomplete or does not meet the requirements set out in the scholarship terms and conditions, it will not be considered.
2. By submitting your scholarship application form, you accept the scholarship terms and conditions and are taken to have read them.
3. TAFE NSW will convene a panel to assess all valid applications. Applications will be assessed on a merit basis and based on your responses in your application and the scholarship eligibility requirements. The panel will, in its sole discretion, determine the award of the scholarship (if any). The decision of the panel will be final.
4. All applicants will be notified of the outcome, with successful applicants notified within 4 weeks of the closing date.

Application checklist

I have answered all questions.

I have completed and attached the scholarship application form.

I have attached properly certified copies of the documents requested.

I have read and signed the Declaration.

Please complete the application form in English and print clearly in CAPITAL LETTERS.

Please send the completed application form and supporting documents to Rachael.Eldridge1@tafensw.edu.au

 This symbol highlights that you may be required to attach supporting documents to your application.

Section 1 - Applicant details

Title: Given name(s):

Family name:

Place of birth: Date of birth (dd/mm/yy):

Residential address:

Suburb: State: Postcode:

Mobile: Home phone:

Email: Student number (if applicable):

 **Section 2 - Course details**

Please provide details regarding your intended course of study.

Course name:

Course number: TAFE NSW location:

Start date: End date:

Section 3 - Applicant statement

This section is for you to provide further information to assist in assessing your application.

The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of educational or financial hardship or need. Additional qualities such as goals, motivation, leadership potential, ability to manage priorities and contribution to the wider community may also be taken into account.

Please respond to the following questions (maximum 300 words per question)

1. In your own words, please tell us how you meet the eligibility criteria for the scholarship.

2. Please outline your study and career goals and describe how the scholarship will assist you with achieving these goals.

3. Please explain your commitment to your studies and how you will manage competing priorities.

4. Please tell us how you intend to spend the scholarship money.

Section 4 - Other supporting information and documentation

5. Please feel free to outline any additional information that supports your scholarship application. (Maximum 300 words)

 You may also provide any documentation which supports your scholarship application. This can include documents such as awards and certificates for community or extracurricular activities, and academic transcripts and certificates.

Section 5 - Referee reports

 You must attach at least one written referee report to this application using the Referee Report Form attached to this Scholarship Application Form. Your nominated referee should be a teacher, employer or manager, job services agency contact, health professional (including a counsellor or social worker) or community leader, and must NOT be someone who is related to you.

Section 6 - Student declaration

- I declare that the information provided as part of this Scholarship Application Form is true, correct, complete and not misleading in any way.
- I have read, understood and agree to the Scholarship terms and conditions, including the applicable terms and conditions of my enrolment at TAFE NSW.
- I agree to provide TAFE NSW with my testimony as outlined in clause 8 of the Additional Terms and Conditions if I am awarded the Scholarship.
- I consent to TAFE NSW collecting, storing, using and disclosing my information, including personal information, for the purpose of administering the Scholarship and in accordance with TAFE NSW's Privacy Policy (which is available at tafensw.edu.au/privacy or on request).

Date: _____ Full name: _____ Signature: _____

Parent/guardian signature (If student is under 18 years of age)

Date: _____ Full name: _____ Signature: _____

Referee report form

Referee name:

Phone number:

Email address:

Relationship to applicant:

Please provide your reference to support the Scholarship application, including but not limited to the Applicant's personal circumstances, character and motivation, and their ability and commitment to completing their studies with TAFE NSW. (Maximum 500 words)

Referee declaration

- I declare that the information provided as part of this Referee Report Form is true, correct, complete and not misleading in any way. I consent to TAFE NSW contacting me to verify the contents of this Referee Report Form.
- I consent to TAFE NSW collecting, storing, using and disclosing my information, including personal information, for the purpose of administering the Scholarship.

Date:

Signature:

1.0 Scholarship application process

- 1.1 You must submit a completed Scholarship Application Form and all supporting documentation via email to TAFE NSW by the advertised closing date (or any later closing date subsequently advised to you by TAFE NSW).
- 1.2 If your Application is received after the closing date or does not meet the requirements set out in these Scholarship terms and conditions, it will not be considered.
- 1.3 You must provide all information and documentation reasonably required by TAFE NSW by the dates requested. Any incomplete Application will not be considered.
- 1.4 TAFE NSW reserves the right to validate and check the information provided as part of an Application, including enrolment status or any provided references. If any information is incorrect, incomplete, false or misleading, TAFE NSW may reject an Application or terminate the Scholarship.

2.0 Scholarship eligibility requirements

- 2.1 To be eligible for the Scholarship you must meet all of the following requirements:
 - (a) you must meet the eligibility requirements for the Scholarship published by TAFE NSW (see tafensw.edu.au/scholarships);
 - (b) you must meet all of the applicable TAFE NSW enrolment requirements, including any visa or residency requirements;
 - (c) you must not have previously received the Scholarship; and
 - (d) unless otherwise approved by TAFE NSW, you must have enrolled in and commenced your approved VET or Higher Education course by the date published by TAFE NSW and cannot defer your commencement date.
- 2.2 Any Scholarship awarded is on the basis that you maintain an active enrolment status in your course. Your Scholarship may be terminated if your enrolment status changes (e.g. you withdraw from your course) or your residency or visa status changes.
- 2.3 If you are awarded the Scholarship, any other TAFE NSW scholarship, grant or bursary that you currently hold will be rescinded.

3.0 Scholarship offer

- 3.1 TAFE NSW will convene a Panel to assess all valid Applications. Applications will be assessed on a merit basis and based on your responses in your Application and the Scholarship eligibility requirements. The Panel will, in its sole discretion, determine the award of the Scholarship (if any). The decision of the Panel will be final, and no correspondence about the decision will be entered into.
- 3.2 If your Application is successful you will be notified via email after the closing date, and will receive a Scholarship Grant letter to be signed and returned by you as acceptance of the Scholarship. The Scholarship will not be awarded unless TAFE NSW receives a signed Scholarship Grant letter from you within the specified time period (or if no time period is specified, within 3

weeks). If you do not wish to accept the Scholarship that you have been offered, you should advise us immediately in writing.

- 3.3 The Scholarship amount at the time of the Scholarship offer may be less than the advertised amount. You will be notified of the amount being offered to you within the Scholarship Grant letter.
- 3.4 If for any reason you are unable to accept the Scholarship offer, the offer will be given to the next suitable applicant as determined by the Panel in its sole discretion.
- 3.5 All unsuccessful applicants will be notified via email of the outcome of their Application.

4.0 Scholarship award and payment

- 4.1 On receiving the signed Scholarship Grant letter as evidence of your acceptance of the Scholarship, TAFE NSW will apply a credit against your standard TAFE NSW course tuition fees or otherwise pay the Scholarship amount in accordance with the details outlined in your Scholarship Grant Letter. The Scholarship cannot be applied retrospectively to any course tuition fees already incurred. Where applicable, TAFE NSW may, in its absolute discretion, elect to credit the Scholarship amount as a lump sum or to apportion the amount across multiple semesters.
- 4.2 All Scholarship amounts are in Australian dollars. The Scholarship amount is not transferable or redeemable for cash. Any rights you have to the Scholarship cannot be assigned.
- 4.3 By accepting the Scholarship, you will be required to act as an ambassador of TAFE NSW and agree to participate in all reasonable marketing and promotional activities relating to the Scholarship (including without limitation to being recorded, photographed, filmed or interviewed), and that TAFE NSW may use such marketing and promotional material in any format or medium in its sole discretion for the purpose of marketing and promoting the Scholarship.

5.0 Scholarship termination

- 5.1 TAFE NSW may terminate your Scholarship at any time if you:
 - (a) discontinue or withdraw from your course, your enrolment status is inactive, or you fail to successfully complete course subjects;
 - (b) fail to meet the eligibility requirements of the Scholarship;
 - (c) fail to comply with these Scholarship terms and conditions;
 - (d) are suspended or excluded from TAFE NSW or commit a breach of student conduct and discipline, or you otherwise fail to comply with TAFE NSW's academic and administrative policies for students; or
 - (e) have provided incorrect, false or misleading information or withheld relevant information in relation to your Application.
- 5.2 If your Scholarship is terminated, you will not receive any further credits and you may be required to repay some or all of your Scholarship to TAFE NSW.

Please retain a copy of these terms and conditions for future reference.

6.0 General

- 6.1 TAFE NSW may vary these Scholarship terms and conditions at any time without prior notice. TAFE NSW may vary the Scholarship or cancel the Scholarship on offer at any time, but will advise you of any such variation or cancellation.
- 6.2 You are responsible for determining any taxation or Centrelink payment implications relating to the Scholarship. TAFE NSW is not liable for the payment of any tax or any other obligations you may incur as a result of accepting the Scholarship.
- 6.3 TAFE NSW will not be liable for any loss (including without limitation, indirect, special or consequential loss), cost, expense or damage, which is suffered or incurred by you in connection with the Scholarship, except for any liability which cannot be excluded by law.
- 6.4 You consent to TAFE NSW collecting, storing, using and disclosing you information, including personal information, for the purpose of administering the Scholarship and in accordance with TAFE NSW's Privacy Policy (available at tafensw.edu.au/privacy or on request).

Additional scholarship terms and conditions

1.0 Establishment and purpose

- 1.1 The Lions Club of Mt Panorama Equity Scholarships were established to provide support to committed students who are in need of financial assistance or encouragement to complete their studies.
- 1.2 The scholarships are funded, jointly managed with TAFE NSW, and administered by the Lions Club of Mt Panorama.
- 1.3 A panel will be established to determine successful scholarship applicants.
- 1.4 The scholarship delivers up to \$300 to help the successful applicant meet costs associated with their studies.

2.0 Definitions

- 2.1 **"Applicant"** means a student who applies for the Lions Club of Mt Panorama Equity Scholarship by completing and submitting a scholarship application form in accordance with the application process.
- 2.2 **"Application process"** means the process set out in clause 3.0 of these terms and conditions, as amended or varied by TAFE NSW from time to time in its sole discretion.
- 2.3 **"Eligible applicant"** means an applicant who meets the criteria for eligibility for the award of a Lions Club of Mt Panorama Equity Scholarship as set out in clause 4 of the terms and conditions.
- 2.4 **"Panel"** means a panel to assess applicants on their scholarship application.

7.0 Definitions

"Panel" means the Scholarship selection panel appointed by TAFE NSW.

"Scholarship" means the Student Scholarship as described in the Scholarship Application Form and these Scholarship terms and conditions.

"Scholarship Application Form" or "Application" or means the application form completed to apply for the Scholarship.

"Student" means an student enrolled at TAFE NSW or a prospective student intending to enrol at TAFE NSW at the time a Scholarship offer is made.

"TAFE NSW" means the Technical and Further Education Commission (ABN 89 755 348 137).

"You" means the applicant for the Scholarship.

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3.0 Application process

- 3.1 An applicant must complete a scholarship application form and submit it to TAFE NSW, by email, by the close off date.
- 3.2 The applicant must acknowledge and accept these scholarship terms and conditions, by signing and dating their application form prior to submitting the scholarship application form, in the manner set out in clause 3.1.

4.0 Eligibility

- 4.1 The Lions Club of Mt Panorama Equity Scholarship may be awarded to an eligible applicant who has completed and lodged an application form and who, as determined by the panel as eligible (in its sole discretion), satisfies all of the following criteria:
 - 4.1.1 is currently enrolled in a TAFE NSW Bathurst course delivered by TAFE NSW at the time of applying for and receiving the Lions Club of Mt Panorama Equity Scholarship.
 - 4.1.2 demonstrates commitment to the course of study and career goals.
- 4.2 Incomplete scholarship application forms will not be considered by the panel.
- 4.3 TAFE NSW is under no obligation to attempt to contact any applicant who incorrectly completes and/or submits an application form and will, at his or her discretion, contact an applicant on not more than two (2) occasions in an effort to obtain information which is missing, or has not been completed correctly. Should all required information not be provided, the application form will be withdrawn and notice sent to the applicant.

5.0 Offer of scholarship

- 5.1 The panel will determine the Lions Club of Mt Panorama Equity Scholarship recipients in its sole discretion.
- 5.2 The successful applicant will be notified by telephone and email and will be sent a scholarship offer and acceptance form to complete.
- 5.3 If unsuccessful, an applicant will be notified in writing of that outcome.

6.0 Acceptance of scholarship

- 6.1 The scholarship recipient must complete and return the scholarship offer and acceptance form prior to the payment of the scholarship.
- 6.2 For the avoidance of doubt, the scholarship recipient acknowledges and agrees that the award of a scholarship is conditional upon the signing and returning to TAFE NSW scholarship offer and acceptance form.

7.0 Award and payment of the scholarship

- 7.1 Following the completion and return of the scholarship offer and acceptance form, the scholarship funds will be paid as a cheque to the value of \$300.
- 7.2 TAFE NSW and the Lions Club of Mt Panorama is under no obligation to pay or make available any part of the scholarship until it has received a signed and completed scholarship offer and acceptance form.

8.0 Conditions of the scholarship

- 8.1 The recipient acknowledges and agrees that the following conditions apply to the award of the Lions Club of Mt Panorama Equity Scholarship:
 - 8.1.1 On request by TAFE NSW the successful recipient must provide an update on how the scholarship has assisted them in their career journey.
 - 8.1.2 The successful recipient must agree to be available for promotional and marketing photography in line with TAFE NSW's Authority to Publish.
 - 8.1.3 Any decision of the panel regarding a scholarship application is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
 - 8.1.4 The successful recipient is expected to be an ambassador for TAFE NSW and uphold the values of the organisation and to behave at all times in accordance with the TAFE NSW Code of Conduct.

9.0 Variation

- 9.1 TAFE NSW may vary these terms and conditions or any form or process referred to herein at any time and without notice.

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