UAC - Equity Scholarships

Equity Scholarships assist financially disadvantaged students with the costs associated with higher education. There are two types of Equity Scholarships through UAC.

**Institution Equity Scholarships** - funded by the individual institutions.
These provide consideration to students experiencing a wider range of educational disadvantages including:
- carer responsibilities
- English language difficulties
- long term of recurrent medical conditions or illnesses
- Refugee status (disrupted schooling)
- regional or remote disadvantage
- Sole parent responsibilities

**Commonwealth Scholarships for Indigenous Applicants** - funded by the Australian Government.
These are provided to facilitate choice in higher education and to increase higher education participation for indigenous students.
There are 3 types:
- Indigenous Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship - to assist students with general education costs
- Indigenous Commonwealth Accommodation Scholarship - to assist students from regional and remote areas with accommodation costs when they have to relocate to attend higher education
- Indigenous Access Scholarship - a once in a lifetime scholarship - available to indigenous students to enable them to access higher education.

**The Application Process:**
Apply through UAC's Equity Scholarships Online (www.uac.edu.au/equity). *See exceptions below

UAC provides a centralised application process for all participating institutions for these Scholarships. By submitting one application through UAC you will be considered for all available Equity Scholarships for which you are eligible at the participating institutions.

When you apply online you will be given instructions about what documents you need to supply. It is your responsibility to provide the necessary documentation within seven working days of applying. Do not send original documents, only send correctly verified photocopies.

Selection is competitive and scholarships are awarded to students in greatest need.

**Participating Institutions:**

- Australian Catholic University
- Australian Maritime College *
- Australian National University *
- Charles Sturt University
- Griffith University *
- La Trobe University
- Macquarie University
- Southern Cross University
- University of Canberra *
- University of New England
- University of New South Wales *
- University of Newcastle
- University of Sydney
- University of Technology, Sydney
- University of Western Sydney
- University of Wollongong *

* Australian Maritime College and Griffith University - apply directly to the institution for both types of scholarships
* Australian National University, University of NSW and University of Wollongong - apply directly to the institutions for the Institution Equity Scholarships
* University of Canberra - apply directly to the institution for the Commonwealth Scholarships for Indigenous Students