



BUNDIYARRA COMMUNITY ABORIGINAL CORPORATION SCHOLARSHIP 2012

SCHOLARSHIP SPONSOR

This Scholarship has been generously sponsored by the Bundiyarra Community Aboriginal Corporation.

Brief one paragraph blurb about the aims and role of Bundiyarra

**Bundiyarra Community Aboriginal Corporation
offers this award to encourage Aboriginal Schools leavers to
aspire and participate in local university study.**

SCHOLARSHIP VALUE:

- 1 Bundiyarra Community Aboriginal Corporation is offering one Scholarship of \$1,000. The scholarship is available as payment towards university educational expenses.
- 2 The scholarship will be awarded to a 2010 or 2011 school leaver who is studying at the GUC on a full time basis in 2011. A part time student may be considered if there is no full time applicant.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

To be eligible for this award, applicants must:

- 1 Be an Aboriginal person residing in the Mid West.
- 2 Have selected a course being offered at the GUC for 2012
- 3 Be undertaking full time study in the first year of the undergraduate degree in 2012. (Part-time study will be considered if there is no full time applicant.)
- 4 Have undertaken at least the final two years of secondary education in the Mid West region.



SELECTION CRITERIA:

Applicants will be assessed on the following criteria:

- 1 Proof of academic achievement in gaining entry to the course.
- 2 Written statement (500 words max) outlining:
 - The personal benefits of being able to attend university in Geraldton rather than relocating to Perth.
 - Commitment to completing a full degree
 - How you would propose to use the scholarship funds
 - Willingness to be involved in promotional activities in relation to this scholarship
- 3 A written reference from a Principal, Teacher, employer or other appropriate person.

SELECTION PROCESS:

- 1 Applications will be assessed on the information provided by the applicant and his/her referees. Those meeting the selection criteria may be short listed for interview.
- 2 A Selection Panel consisting of a representative of Geraldton Universities Centre, the Hollomby Foundation and Bundiyarra Community Aboriginal Corporation will assess applications.
- 3 Notwithstanding the guidelines outlined above, the Selection Panel reserves the right to award scholarships in whole or in part to whomever it considers the most deserving applicants.
- 4 All applications will be treated in strictest confidence.
- 5 The decision of the Selection Panel will be final and binding.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- 1 Complete the application form, along with your statement addressing the eligibility and selection criteria.
- 2 Applications should be marked Confidential, and addressed to:
 - The Scholarship Program
 - Geraldton Universities Centre
 - Mail: PO Box 2779, GERALDTON WA 6531
 - Deliver: Geraldton Universities Centre, 33 Onslow Street, Geraldton.
- 3 Short listing and where necessary, interview of applicants will occur at a date to be advised.



CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS:

**Close of Business
Friday 2 March 2012**

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION:

- 1 Documentation to accompany the application:
 - a. Proof of Citizenship
 - b. Reference and contact details of teacher, principal, employer or other appropriate referee
 - c. Applicant's supporting statement
 - d. High school results from year 12 and ATAR academic statement (or University Preparation Course results)
 - e. Proof of enrolment in GUC course for 2012

Contact Natalie Nelmes at GUC on 9920 4403 or natalien@guc.edu.au with any queries when compiling your application.

CONDITIONS OF AWARD:

- 1 The Scholarship will be administered by the Director of the Geraldton Universities Centre in consultation with the Hollomby Foundation and CEO of Bundiyarra Community Aboriginal Corporation.
- 2 The award will be paid in two equal instalments at or after the census date in each semester.
- 3 Payment of the Award is subject to maintaining Good Standing with the delivering university.
- 4 A recipient with unsatisfactory progress or who breaches the scholarship conditions shall be ineligible to retain the scholarship.
- 5 If a recipient needs to take leave of absence during the Scholarship year, the recipient must apply for and seek approval from the Scholarship Administrators to suspend the scholarship for the period of leave.
- 6 A recipient who withdraws from their course of study through the GUC during the year of the Scholarship will forfeit the scholarship and be required to repay the scholarship funds in full.
- 7 A recipient who transfers from their course of study at the GUC to another university during the scholarship period will forfeit the scholarship and be required to repay the scholarship funds in full.
- 8 Determination of exceptional circumstances shall be at the discretion of the Scholarship Administrators.