

ST JOHN OF GOD HOSPITAL GERALDTON SCHOLARSHIP 2012

SCHOLARSHIP SPONSOR

This Scholarship has been generously sponsored by St John of God Hospital Geraldton.

St John of God Hospital Geraldton is a 60-bed hospital established in 1935. It provides services to the people of Geraldton and surrounding communities in the Mid-West of Western Australia.

The combination of on-site consulting suites, modern operating theatres, a special care nursery, and local and visiting medical and surgical specialists increasingly eliminate the need for people to travel to metropolitan centres for medical care. St John of God Hospital Geraldton is a division of St John of God Health Care, Australia's third largest private healthcare provider.

The aim of the St John of God Hospital Geraldton Scholarship is to encourage and support the involvement of local people in Nursing courses offered through the Geraldton Universities Centre

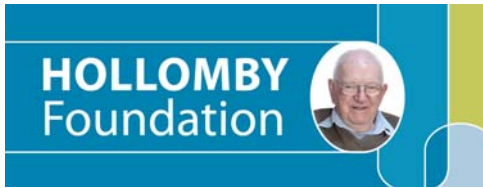
SCHOLARSHIP VALUE:

- 1 St John of God Hospital Geraldton is offering one scholarship of \$1,000 to a student undertaking the second (or higher) year of the Bachelor of Science (Nursing) at the GUC in 2012.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

To be eligible for this award, applicants must:

- 1 Be a resident of the Mid West.
- 2 Be enrolled in the second year or above of the Bachelor of Science (Nursing), undertaking at least two units a semester through the Geraldton Universities Centre.
- 3 Be an Australian citizen, holder of an Australian Permanent Humanitarian Visa or a Permanent Resident of Australia.



SELECTION CRITERIA:

Applicants will be assessed on the following criteria:

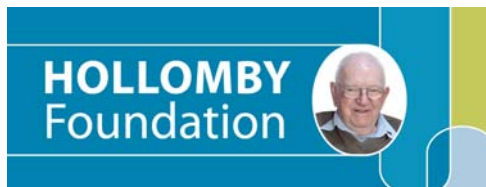
- 1 Academic achievement – Successful completion of at least the first year of the Bachelor of Science (Nursing).
- 2 Written statement (500 words max) outlining:
 - Personal benefits of being able to attend university in Geraldton rather than relocating to Perth.
 - Commitment to completing the Bachelor of Science (Nursing).
 - Personal benefit of receiving a scholarship and how such funds will be used.
- 3 Reference from the Nursing Course Coordinator, employer or other appropriate referee.

SELECTION PROCESS:

- 1 Applications will be assessed on the information provided by the applicant and their referee. Those meeting the selection criteria may be short listed for interview.
- 2 A Selection Panel consisting of representatives of St John of God Hospital Geraldton and the Geraldton Universities Centre will assess the 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 Scholarships shall only be awarded where applications of sufficiently high merit are received.
- 5 All applications will be treated in strictest confidence.
- 6 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 2nd March 2012**

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION:

- 1 Documentation to accompany the application:
 - a. Proof of Citizenship or visa status (Birth Certificate, Passport or Citizenship Certificate)
 - b. Reference and contact details of Nursing Course Coordinator, employer or other appropriate referee
 - c. Applicant's supporting statement
 - d. Academic results University.

NOTE: Documentation must be certified copies, not originals no other copies (including faxes) will be accepted. Original documents can be certified at the Geraldton Universities Centre

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 Scholarships will be administered by the Director of the Geraldton Universities Centre (on behalf of the Hollomby Foundation) in consultation with St John of God Hospital Geraldton selection panel member (herein referred to as Scholarship Administrators).
- 2 The award will be paid in full after the Semester 1 census date to the recipient to use as they see fit.
- 3 A recipient with unsatisfactory progress or who breaches the scholarship conditions shall be ineligible to retain the scholarship.
- 4 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.
- 5 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.



- 6 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.
- 7 Unless there are exceptional circumstances students must:
 - a. Maintain at least a two unit per semester study load (as determined by the parent University)
 - b. Remain on Good Standing for the duration of the studies.
- 8 Determination of exceptional circumstances shall be at the discretion of the Scholarship Administrators.

NOTIFICATION:

- 1 All applicants will be notified in writing of the outcome of their application once the decision has been finalised by the Scholarship Administrators.