

# Dr Evelyn Scott Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Higher Education Scholarship 2022



## FAQs



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#### Summary of application timeline:

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- Applications will close Wednesday 10 November 2021
- Short-listed students notified by Bupa via phone and email by 18 November 2021
- Panel selection interviews – from w/c 22 November 2021
- Winners will be advised in December 2021 and announced externally

### What is the eligibility criteria?

To be eligible for the Scholarship an applicant must:

- be an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, studying a minimum of 30 units (equivalent to full-time study) at an Australian University and completed minimum one year of study. Bachelor and Post Graduate students can apply; and
- have completed or currently completing a full summer internship through the CareerTrackers program; and
- have an interest or background in health (however the applicant does not need to be studying a health degree); and
- demonstrate the values of Dr Evelyn Scott in the community and embody Dr Evelyn Scott's will and determination for change. The selection panel will consider the values and legacy of Dr Evelyn Scott in selecting the successful applicant, reflected in the applicant's extra-curricular activities and references. Some of these values include integrity, respect, champion of equality, courageous, passionate and authentic. These values will be considered alongside personal attributes such as leadership qualities, reflective of Dr Scott's passion and advocacy for the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Applicants may also highlight the work they have undertaken or are undertaking in the CareerTrackers program as part of this application process; and
- provide two-character references. One from their current or a previous CareerTrackers Intern Manager, and one additional from another referee such as a community leader, course coordinator or mentor, that is verified by a Bupa representative; and
- provide a transcript of academic record if requested by Bupa.

### When will I find out if I am successful?

- Shortlisted students will be notified via phone and email by 18 November 2021.
- Shortlisted students will be required to attend an interview by the selection panel (via video call / Microsoft Teams) at a suitable time between 22 November and 3 December 2021. To be confirmed on 18 November.
- The successful student will be advised in December 2021.

### Who can provide my reference?

- One reference must be provided by a current or previous CareerTrackers Intern Manager
- You can decide who your second referee is. Consider someone who can provide further information or endorsement of the activities and values you have highlighted in your application form. Examples include:
  - University course coordinator
  - Leader of a community organisation you are connected to
  - Mentor

### If I am shortlisted, what kind of questions will I be asked in the interview?

- The interview will be informal and an opportunity for the selection panel to get to know you. In addition to the questions outlined in the application form, the panel will be interested in finding out more about your personal interests and your involvement in the community. Shortlisted applicants will be provided with example questions prior to the interview to help you prepare.
- The questions will consider how your personal values and as a result, your ambitions, reflect those of Dr. Evelyn Scott. Some of these values include integrity, honesty and respect. How you demonstrate these values will be considered by the selection panel, alongside personal attributes such as leadership qualities, reflective of Dr Scott's passion and advocacy for the rights of Australia's First Nations peoples.

### If successful, when will I receive my first scholarship payment?

- The first Scholarship payment of \$10,000 (less any tax withholdings as required by law) will be paid prior to 31 December 2021, with the second payment (\$5,000) made after this time prior to Semester 2, 2022.
- Please note that it is the responsibility of the applicant to seek their own independent advice as to how the Scholarship payment may affect their financial position including any government related payments.

### What are Bupa's expectations regarding the scholarship – is reporting required?

- The Scholarship winner will be required to provide Bupa with permission to use their image and name in relation to the Scholarship for promotional purposes across various communications channels, including but not limited to Bupa's social media channels, website, publications and customer communications, internal communications network. A media release form will be provided with the formal offer and must be signed and returned when accepting the Scholarship.
- The Scholarship recipients must provide 1 x update (in a blog format) to Bupa per University semester on their studies and progress to be used across Bupa's internal and external (if appropriate) communications channels, and to be shared with the selection panel.
- The Scholarship recipients will have the opportunity to mentor future recipients of the Scholarship.
- Whilst the Scholarship is not based solely on academic merit, Bupa reserves the right to request an academic transcript update throughout the year as proof of university attendance and course completion, in accordance with the requirements of the Scholarship.

### Can a student be awarded the scholarship more than once?

A student can only be awarded the Dr. Evelyn Scott Scholarship once.

### If unsuccessful, can I reapply?

Yes, unsuccessful applicants including previous runners-up can reapply.

### Who is on the selection committee?

The selection committee will include a minimum of one Bupa and one external representative. Shortlisted students will be provided with the names of committee members conducting the interview at the time of scheduling.