The Gordon Beauty Therapy Scholarship

The Beauty Therapy Scholarship was initiated in 2014 by the department whose vision was to invest in our community and support those in need. This program was called The Empower Program where the department has four client clinic days per year along with making scented candles for purchase. 100% of funds raised are donated to the Empower Program. The department has raised and donated close to $30,000 since it started.

Most of the funds raised are donated to local charities, but due to the growth of the fundraising program the Beauty Therapy team have been able to establish a Scholarship to assist a Beauty Therapy Diploma student complete their studies.

FULL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

Two scholarships of $1,000 (amount subject to change) will be awarded to financially disadvantaged students who demonstrate commitment and motivation to succeed in their course and develop a career in the beauty industry.

1. **Selection criteria:** Applicants must:
   - be financially disadvantaged
   - demonstrate keenness to overcome barriers and succeed in their studies and find employment
   - be enrolled full time in a Beauty Therapy Certificate IV or Diploma course at the Gordon for a full academic year
   - demonstrate initiative and commitment to excel in their course, i.e. through engagement in extra-curricular activities such as employment (paid or voluntary) community based work, or additional activities to support the development of their future career in Beauty Therapy.
   - have no outstanding debt to the Gordon from the previous year
   - be an Australian citizen or permanent resident

2. **Administration of scholarship:**
   - the Scholarship will be managed by the Student Scholarships, Welfare and
Alumni Officer in consultation with at least one representative from the Gordon’s Beauty Therapy Department

- applications for the Gordon Beauty Therapy scholarship will open on the Gordon website in early November and close in mid-February
- a selection committee comprising the Student Scholarships, Welfare and Alumni Officer and a Staff member from the Gordon’s Beauty Therapy Department will be responsible for selecting the suitable Scholarship recipient
- students who are successful in being short listed for the scholarship will be required to attend an interview in early March
- in the event of a disagreement, the Student Scholarships, Welfare and Alumni Officer will have the final say and these decisions are final
- all information supplied to the selection committee and to the appropriate student services and administration officers is treated as confidential
- in the event of insufficient suitable applicants, the selection committee has discretion to not award a scholarship in any given year

3. Conditions of award:

- the scholarship will be paid annually in March. The mode of payment is at the discretion of the selection committee and may be altered in consultation with the recipient of the scholarship.
- scholarship monies will be paid directly into the students account
- each scholarship is to be spent on expenses associated with study, including course fees, materials, etc.
- the successful scholarship recipient may be required to accept their scholarship at a Scholarship evening to be held in late March
- a scholarship is not transferable to another Institute
- any current outstanding course fees may and can be deducted from the scholarship money paid to the recipient
- each recipient is to use best endeavour to successfully complete the program of study
- each recipient must give at least one month’s notice in writing in the event of any of the following:
  - Transfer to another course within the Gordon
  - Transfer to another Institute
  - Transfer from full time study to part time study or vice versa

4. Termination of award:

The Gordon has discretion to terminate a scholarship and to recover payment in the event of:
• the behaviour of the recipient on or off campus is considered by the selection committee to bring disrepute upon the Scholarship or the Gordon
• the program of study is being undertaken with insufficient diligence or not in accordance with the terms of the Scholarship
• cancellation of enrolment/transfer to another Institute
• deferral of study in the year of award without suitable rationale

5. Report Requirements
The scholarship recipient will submit a written report when final results are known. This report will include:
• the recipient’s name, course of study and date of report
• a statement outlining how the grant was spent and how it assisted with furthering studies and career development (receipts attached)

6. Agreement to Terms and Conditions
I, ___________________________________________ as the recipient of the Gordon Beauty Therapy Scholarship have read and accept the terms and conditions of the scholarship monies as outlined within this document.

I do☐ do not☐ give permission for my photo to be used for promotional and/or reporting purposes by the Gordon

Recipient signature _______________________________ Date ________________________________

All correspondence regarding scholarships should be forwarded to:

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