DOW Performance Materials Scholarship

Since the early 1900’s the name Rohm and Haas has been synonymous with science-based innovation. Through experimentation, determination and collaboration the founding small partnership grew to a global Fortune 500 corporation. In 2009 Dow Chemical Company (Dow) acquired Rohm and Haas and wishes to maintain these founding values, including the potential to increase the pool of talent interested in careers and opportunities linked to the study of the sciences. Therefore, the Dow Scholarship program is aimed at assisting students, who demonstrate a similar passion for the role of science and innovation in constantly improving society, to maintain enrolment in courses that pathway into a career in the field.

FULL TERMS AND CONDITIONS
Scholarships to the total value of $3,000 (most likely 3 x $1,000) will be awarded to students who demonstrate motivation and commitment towards successfully completing their studies. Students need to be enrolled in a horticulture, conservation & land management or laboratory technology course.

1. Selection Criteria
Applicants must:
- be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- live in the G21 region, encompassing the larger district area of Geelong, Queenscliff, Surf Coast, Golden Plains and Colac-Otway
- Students must be enrolled in a Horticulture, Conservation & Land Management or Laboratory Technology course
- have a current valid student number and be enrolled either full-time or part-time
- be enrolled in a full qualification, and be at Certificate III, Certificate IV, Diploma, or Advanced Diploma level. Hobby courses and short courses are not eligible
- Not be receiving reimbursement for study costs from another third party
- demonstrate initiative and commitment in the pursuit of completing their current studies and establishing a career in the science industry
- have no previous outstanding debt to The Gordon. Any outstanding course fees can and may be deducted from the amount paid to the recipient

2. Administration of scholarships:
- the scholarships will be managed by the Student Scholarships, Welfare and Alumni Officer in consultation with a selection committee comprising representatives of The Gordon and Dow.
- In the event of a disagreement, Dow will have final say, and the decision is final
- applications for the Dow Performance Materials Scholarship open on the Gordon website in November and close mid-February
• all applications must be submitted by students online
• teaching staff will be responsible for commenting on the applicant’s performance in class and their suitability for the scholarship in a separate section on the application form
• all information supplied by applicants to the selection committee is treated as confidential
• in the event of insufficient suitable applicants, the selection committee has discretion to award fewer scholarships per year, to accrue unexpended funds and to offer additional scholarships and/or bursaries in the subsequent year.
• successful recipients are required to accept their scholarship at an awards ceremony held in March
• each scholarship will be paid to the recipient at the time of awarding, usually annually in April. The mode of payment is at the discretion of the selection committee and in consultation with the recipient
• students who are in receipt of a scholarship will be given the option of participating in a mentoring program. The mentor will be chosen by Dow to provide future career guidance (optional)

3. Conditions of award:
• scholarships are to be spent on Gordon course-related expenses, including payment of course fees, in a science related area
• each recipient is to use best endeavour to successfully complete their chosen course of study as outlined in their scholarship application
• the scholarship is not transferable to another Institute
• each scholarship is to be used in the academic year in which it is awarded
• the scholarship program comprises a total value of $3,000 per year, to be awarded at the discretion of the scholarship committee
• each recipient must give at least one month’s notice in writing in the event of any of the following:
  o transfer to another course with The Gordon
  o transfer to another Institute
  o 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/or bursary and to recover payment in the event of any of the following:
• the behaviour of the recipient on or off campus is considered by the Selection Committee to bring disrepute upon the Scholarship/Bursary or The Gordon
• the program of study is being undertaken with insufficient diligence or not in accordance with the terms of the Scholarship/Bursary
• cancellation of enrolment
• transfer to another Institute
• deferral of study in the year of the award without suitable rationale
5. **Reporting requirements:**
The scholarship recipient will submit a written report when final results are known. This report will include:

- recipient's name, course of study, date of report
- a detailed statement outlining how the grant was spent and how it assisted with furthering studies and career development
- reports will be presented to Dow by the Student Scholarships and Welfare Coordinator

6. **Agreement to Terms and Conditions**
I, ______________________________ as the recipient of Dow Performance Materials 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 by the Gordon for marketing and/or reporting purposes.

Recipient signature ___________________________ Date ___________________________

All correspondence regarding scholarships should be forwarded to:

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