

Marion and Ernie Speight Scholarship

The Marion and Ernie Speight Scholarship was established in 2007 by the Community and the Gordon Student Support Fund Committee to assist students under the age of 24 with the costs of studying a full or part time course at The Gordon.

FULL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Three scholarships of \$1000 will be awarded to financially disadvantaged students who demonstrate commitment and motivation to succeed in their studies at the Gordon.

1. Selection criteria:

Applicants must:

- be financially disadvantaged and be committed to doing well in their studies
- have excellent academic and/or trade standing and have commenced or are commencing full time studies in a certificate or diploma course at The Gordon
- demonstrate initiative and commitment in their academic, professional and personal life (e.g. employment, community involvement, voluntary work)
- be under the age of 24 at the commencement at the year of application
- have no previous outstanding debt to The Gordon
- be an Australian citizen or permanent resident

2. Administration of scholarship:

- the scholarship will be managed by a selection committee comprising two representatives of The Gordon and at least one representative of the Student Support Fund Committee
- in the event of a disagreement, the Chairperson of the Student Support Fund Committee 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 committee has discretion to award less than three scholarships in one year

3. Conditions of award:

- the mode of payment is at the discretion of the selection committee and may be altered in consultation with the recipient of the scholarship
- a scholarship is not transferable to another Institute
- each scholarship is to be spent on living expenses and Gordon course related costs
- applications for the scholarship will open on the Gordon website in November and

will close in mid-February

- the successful recipient will be required to accept their scholarship at a scholarship ceremony held in March
- any current outstanding course fees can and may be deducted from the amount paid to the recipient
- each recipient is to use best endeavour to successfully complete the program of study
- in signing the terms and agreements, recipients are providing written permission for the Student Scholarships, Welfare and Alumni Officer to contact relevant teachers for updates on academic performance
- 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

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, The Gordon or the Student Support Fund Committee
- 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:

Each recipient will submit a written report by mid-November. 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

Reports will be presented to the Student Support Fund Committee by the Student Scholarships, Welfare and Alumni Officer.

6. Agreement to Terms and Conditions

I _____ as the recipient of the Marion and Ernie Speight

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 relating to the Marion and Ernie Speight Scholarship should be directed to:

Melissa Ferris
Student Scholarships, Welfare and Alumni Officer
PMB 1 Geelong Mail Centre
VIC 3221
(03) 5225 0639
scholarships@gordontafe.edu.au