



Inspiro Tertiary Health Scholarships 2025 INFORMATION PACK

Inspiro is a local, non-profit community health service that provides dental, allied health and health promotion services for the Yarra Ranges community. The **Inspiro Tertiary Health Scholarship** program supports local tertiary health students in pursuing their chosen career.

This information pack contains the following information:

- Award categories
- Eligibility
- Selection criteria
- Selection panel
- Submission details
- Application form.

For more information, please contact the team at: marketingcomms@inspiro.org.au

AWARD CATEGORIES

\$12,500 Hamish Russell Award

Hamish Russell has been a long serving member of Inspiro in a variety of roles. These include Board Director, Community Advisory Group Chair and he also serves on the interview panel of the Scholarship Committee.

\$10,000 Stephen Potter Award

Stephen Potter is the current Board Chair and has been involved with Inspiro for over twenty years and has been the Board Chair and Chair of the Finance & Audit Committee for a number of those years.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible, applicants must be:

Residents of the Shire of Yarra Ranges who are currently undertaking or are enrolled to commence:

- Tertiary studies in a recognised health science course at an Australian University or higher education TAFE institute or
- Vocational education and training (VET) in a health science field

Applicants must have resided in the Shire of Yarra Ranges for at least 12 months. Students temporarily residing outside of the Yarra Ranges Shire for study purposes are also eligible but must demonstrate that their full-time residence is in the Yarra Ranges. Contact Yarra Ranges Council to confirm if your address is eligible: <http://www.yarraranges.vic.gov.au/Home>.

Undergraduate and postgraduate, part-time and full-time students can apply.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following criteria:

1. **Academic achievement** that demonstrates your commitment to succeeding in your chosen field of study
2. **Community involvement** that demonstrates your commitment to your local community
3. **Personal attributes** that could help demonstrate your suitability for the scholarship.

The panel will also consider special circumstances, including financial and/or personal hardship. Referee comments are also required in your application.

SELECTION PANEL

The selection panel includes representatives from the Inspiro Board of Governance and a community representative.

SUBMISSION DETAILS

Applicants can submit via our online application form on our website <https://www.inspiro.org.au/get-involved/tertiary-scholarships>. Or via email to: marketingcomms@inspiro.org.au

Applications must be received by 5pm on Friday 14th March.

Interviews - Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted for an interview so please ensure a contact phone number is provided. **Interviews will only be held on 7th April in Lilydale and applicants must be available.**

Presentation event - An official award presentation event will be held on 16th April.



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APPLICATION FORM

All details must be completed for your application to be processed. It is in your best interest to provide as much detail as possible.

Applicant details			
First name		Surname	
Student ID			
University			
Course name			
Course level	Undergraduate / Postgraduate / Other (<i>please state</i>)		
Date of birth			
Residential status	Australian citizen	Y / N	
	Permanent resident	Y / N	Country of birth: Arrival date:
	Humanitarian visa	Y / N	Country of birth: Arrival date:
Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, Torres Strait Islander		
Residential address <i>You must live in the Shire of Yarra Ranges</i>			
Please attach evidence e.g. copy of driver's licence, rental agreement or bill			

Contact details			
Mobile		Home	
Email			
Have you previously applied for an Inspiro scholarship? <i>If yes, state year(s).</i>	Successful	Unsuccessful	Never applied

Concession information					
Do you have a health care card?			Yes	No	
Fee concession	Yes	No	VET Fee Help	Yes	No

Selection Criteria 1

Academic achievement that demonstrates your commitment to succeeding in your chosen field of study

Please attach a copy of your academic transcript

List any academic achievements and awards you have received.

How will your course help you achieve your career and personal goals?

(Maximum 300 words)

Selection Criteria 2

Community involvement that demonstrates your commitment to your local community

Do you volunteer or contribute to your local community in some way? How and why?

Please describe your role and skills required, why you take part in these activities and what you hope to achieve. Activities can include volunteer or non-volunteer roles in community organisations, charities, sporting clubs, schools and non-profit organisations.
(Maximum 300 words)

Selection Criteria 3

Personal attributes that could help demonstrate your suitability for the scholarship

(Please list here or attach additional pages)

**Personal and other
key attributes
examples**

Examples:

- *interaction with and respect for peers and teachers*
- *effective interpersonal skills*
- *active involvement in your community or chosen industry*
- *commitment to return to work in the local community.*

(Maximum 300 words)

**Personal growth
examples**

Examples:

- *striving to reach personal potential*
- *displaying qualities of self-motivation and self-direction*
- *indicate how learning will play a positive role on personal growth.*

(Maximum 300 words)

Additional Considerations

Special circumstances, including financial and/or personal hardship. *(Please list here or attach additional pages)*

Please explain any additional details you wish to include about your circumstances.

E.g.

- *Having trouble paying for fees or materials*
- *Individual or family adversity*
- *Excessive relocation or changes of school*
- *Relocation as a refugee*
- *Mental and physical health barriers*
- *Other barriers to education.*
- *May include current or lifetime experiences or financial barriers*

Please attach additional pages if required. (No maximum word limit)

How will this scholarship help you successfully complete your course?

(Maximum 300 words)

Supporting references			
<i>This section must be completed by someone who knows you well (e.g. teacher, employer, peers from one of your activities). Avoid using family members and additional pages can be attached.</i>			
How long have you known the applicant?			
In what capacity have you known the applicant?			
Why do you feel the applicant should receive a scholarship?			
Describe the applicant's personal attributes that you are familiar with.			
How do you think the scholarship will help support the applicant's completion of their course?			
Describe the applicant's commitment to their chosen field of study and their local community.			
Your name			
Position	Teacher Support Other		
Organisation		Phone	
Signed			Date

Scholarship recipient requirements	
If you are successful, there are some responsibilities that you must agree to. You must be able to commit to providing:	
Permission for your name and residing suburb to be announced as the successful applicant for the given scholarship	Yes / No

Your written permission for Inspiro to use your brief resume, photo, and place/course of study for marketing purposes, including local media, external newsletters, annual report, for use on the Inspiro website and Facebook page.	Yes / No
Documentation as evidence of your satisfactory completion of Semester 2 to receive the final instalment of your award.	Yes / No

Checklist

Please ensure you have attached the relevant evidence to support your application:

- Latest academic results / transcripts
- Evidence of enrolment in your stated course
- Concession card and/or health care card
- Evidence of residential address (e.g. drivers' licence)

You may be required to bring original documentation to an interview.

Applicant declaration

I understand that my application may be shared by Inspiro staff and the selection panel. I have, to the best of my knowledge, been truthful and honest. I understand that any misleading information will result in my scholarship being cancelled. If I am a successful applicant and am awarded a scholarship, I acknowledge that it will be paid in two equal amounts subject to evidence of satisfactory academic progress.

By signing this application, I agree to the above declaration.

Please sign: _____ Date: _____

Please return the completed application via email to: marketingcomms@inspiro.org.au

OR: They may also be submitted via our online application form on our website

<https://www.inspiro.org.au/get-involved/tertiary-scholarships>

5pm Friday 14 March 2025

Good luck with your application!