

Queensland Health Mental Health Scholarship Scheme

2023 Application criteria questions within the application form

Important to note: As there is a high demand for these scholarships, and many more applications received than can be funded, applicants are encouraged to:

1. Be thoughtful of your responses to the application criteria. Applications will be scored and shortlisted on the quality of content. Generalised responses are less favourable, the panel is interested in how this scholarship will positively support your clinical skills and development of recovery-oriented practice. Cutting and pasting of copyrighted work is illegal and will not be accepted. Please do not resubmit any previous applications as these are available for comparison.
2. If you are studying a course that is not a high priority, please provide the full details of the course, this will allow the panel to make an informed decision.

Application Criteria 1

In the 2021-22 Federal Budget, the Australian Government announced a \$2.3 billion investment over 4 years to the **National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Plan**. The plan includes 5 pillars to this investment which address:

1. prevention and early intervention
2. suicide prevention
3. treatment
4. supporting the vulnerable
5. workforce and governance.

Please choose one of the 5 pillars and reflect how your course of study will support the plan outcomes in your clinical practice. Responses should be reflective and include clear connections to practice.

[National Mental Health and Suicide Prevention Plan - 2021](#)

[Please limit your answer to between 200 - 400 words]

Application Criteria 2

Applicants should be reflecting on how their further education can be of benefit to the people they will work with. Reflect on how the subjects you are applying for will:

- a) enhance your recovery-oriented practice
- b) enhance your professional, therapeutic and/or clinical skills
- c) contribute to the personalised delivery of care in your Hospital and Health Service
- d) if you are a previous scholarship recipient, please address how your learning in the last semester has benefited your day-to-day practice.

[Please limit your answers to 200 words for each question]

Application Criteria 3

- a) Please describe your commitment to professional development, including activities you have been involved in over the last 12 months. Include any Learning Centre courses completed.

[Please limit your answer to 200 words]

- b) If your desired study is not one of the main priority areas for the scholarships, please explain the details of this course and why you believe it will positively impact on your practice or your role.

[Please limit your answer to 200 words]