



Guideline: Elspeth Young Memorial Grant

Purpose

The Elspeth Young Memorial Grant was established to assist Indigenous Australian students with costs necessary and incidental to their studies, but not including Tuition Fees. The funds are to complement other scholarship schemes, rather than being an alternative scholarship scheme.

This document provides guidance to students applying for this grant and the selection committee assessing applications.

Overview

These Grant guidelines:

- Ensure that grant applicants are aware of the types of items that can be funded;
- Provide limits of funding for items to guarantee transparency and equity;
- Specify in what circumstances an exception may be made to funding limits or items requested.

Scope

These guidelines apply to eligible students applying for consideration of an Elspeth Young Memorial Grant and members of the Selection Committee assessing applications.

Guideline

The grant will support, but is not limited to supporting, the following items within the funding limits stated.

Computer: The grant may provide up to \$2,200 for the purchase of a laptop or desktop computer which must include extended warranty.

An applicant whose degree program/studies requires a computer that exceeds the maximum limit, may apply for, and be granted the full amount of their request, or a reasonable amount in excess of the limits stated, where the

Selection Committee is satisfied with the applicant's explanation of why their degree program/studies require a more expensive computer.

Unless there are extenuating circumstances a student may only apply for a computer once in a three year period. .

iPad/tablet: The grant may support the purchase, or contribute to the purchase of an iPad/tablet (as opposed to another form of computer) where justification can be made for the particular need for an iPad/tablet and how it will benefit their studies.

Printer: The grant may support on top of other computer costs, up to \$200 for the purchase of a printer once within a three year period.

Office Furniture: The fund may support up to \$500 for a desk and up to \$400 for an office chair.

An applicant with a medical condition or who for occupational health and safety reasons, and can provide supporting documentation, may apply for, and be granted a reasonable amount in excess of the limits stated.

Textbooks: The fund may provide up to \$500 in any one semester for the purchase of prescribed textbooks

Other Items: All other items will be considered and awarded at the discretion of the selection committee.

An applicant may request part funding for an item above the stated funding limit without justification, in which case, if the applicant is successful, they will receive funds up to the approved limit and be liable for the excess amount.

Acquittal

All recipients must provide receipts up to the value of funding received for the item/s.

Receipts are required within 2 weeks of the item/s being purchased. Failure to provide receipts will result in a recipient being required to return funding.

Review

The Selection Committee will review the stated limits and allowable items at the beginning of each year, prior to the assessment of the first round of applications.