



Undergraduate Scholarship Scheme

Information for Applicants

The name of the scholarship is 'The City of West Torrens Max and Bette Mendelson Scholarship'.

Eligibility

Applicants **MUST** meet the following criteria to be eligible to apply for a scholarship:

- Be an Australian citizen.
- Have been a resident of the City of West Torrens for at least 3 years on 1 March in the year of application.
- Have qualified and been accepted to undertake undergraduate studies in a degree course in any field at any university in South Australia.
- For the academic year in the year of application, be a full-time student as defined by the university.
- If you are a continuing student, you must have completed full-time study for the academic year prior to the year of application as defined by the university for that year.

Conditions for awarding scholarships

1. Scholarships will be awarded to commencing students and to continuing students who meet the eligibility requirements and who best meet the selection criteria. **Note: applicants are entitled to receive a scholarship twice only.**
2. The selection criteria will be based on the following:
 - a) **Academic merit** (the primary criterion in determining successful scholarship recipients).
 - For a commencing student, the level of Tertiary Entrance Rank as determined by the university from time to time.
 - For the continuing student, the level of academic performance during the previous year as determined by the university.
 - b) **Leadership potential** - demonstrated in the field of study (or potential study) through prizes, awards, publications, performance, professional endeavours and/or what may have changed as a result of the applicant's involvement in something.
 - c) **Capability** - by providing a written statement (maximum 300 words) that describes an achievement you are proud of and this could include a work or volunteering achievement, a contribution you have made to your local community or society in general, a demonstration of persistence and determination in the pursuit of your personal goals, or an occasion where you have mobilised or inspired others to achieve an outcome.
 - d) **Other considerations** that may be taken into account include:
 - Personal or socio-economic hardship.
 - Necessitous circumstances that would otherwise prevent an applicant attending university to study full-time.
3. If there are 2 or more applicants of equal merit, the scholarship may be divided equally between them.
4. The award of the scholarship to each student is for one year.
5. The number of scholarships to be made available in any year is to be determined by the council.
6. The annual value of a scholarship is determined by the council.
7. The award of scholarships is at the discretion of the council. Its determination is final and no correspondence or discussion will be entered into.
8. The City of West Torrens will pay the scholarship to the successful applicant in one lump sum. Payment will be made at an award presentation ceremony on a date determined by the council.
9. Any relative of a City of West Torrens' Elected Member or relative of staff is eligible to apply for a scholarship.

Applications

Applications must be made on the form provided and be directed to:

The Chief Executive Officer,
City of West Torrens,
165 Sir Donald Bradman Drive, Hilton SA 5033

and be received by 5.00pm on Friday 29 May 2026.

Applicants must take care that their applications are correctly witnessed and not have applied for a scholarship more than 2 times. A Justice of the Peace is required to provide identification that includes their name, official number and the post-nominal 'JP'. Usually this information is incorporated on a stamp. Applications that do not provide this information are rejected. Other witnesses, such as a Commissioner for Affidavits, should clearly write or stamp their name and contact details in print.

Applicants must attend carefully to the correctness of all details of their applications and accept full responsibility for their correctness. The council will not make enquiries with a view to remedying errors or omissions.