



Maldon Hospital

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Maldon Hospital Scholarship

GUIDELINES for 2011

Introduction

As part of its ongoing commitment to maintain and improve the health status of rural communities, the Maldon Hospital has established a Health Scholarships program.

The aim of the Maldon Hospital Health Scholarships program is to financially assist full-time tertiary students from the Maldon district who are enrolled in a health related discipline. The eligibility of disciplines will be at the discretion of the Board of Management of Maldon Hospital (to be referred to as the Board).

Maldon Hospital Health Scholarships (to be referred to as the Scholarships) were created to support full-time tertiary health students from the Maldon region achieve their goals while supporting recruitment and retention strategies for health professionals in rural areas. Preference will be given to applicants who can demonstrate a commitment to a rural career in health.

About the Maldon Hospital Scholarships

- The Scholarship will be a cash payment of up to \$2,000 per year, payable on proof of full time enrolment in a health related discipline, as approved by the Board.
- One new Scholarship will be awarded each year, unless decided otherwise by the Board.
- The Scholarship will be paid in two annual instalments of \$1,000 to the successful applicant for a maximum of three years, when the recipient:
 - provides proof of full-time enrolment in the tertiary course as nominated in the initial Scholarship application. If the recipient plans on changing courses, prior approval must be sought from the Board for the scholarship to remain valid;
 - satisfactorily completes the previous half year's study;
 - provides a written report on their progress in the nominated course at the end of each academic year;
- A Scholarship may be deferred at the discretion of the Board, or by request of the recipient.
- The recipient may be asked to provide a brief presentation towards the end of each tertiary study year to either, the Maldon Hospital Annual General Meeting, or the Board, on an aspect of their course as related to rural health.

The Maldon Hospital Scholarships application process

1. Completed Application Forms and any accompanying documentation, with three copies, are to be mailed in an envelope marked **Confidential** and addressed to:
Maldon Hospital Health Scholarships
Maldon Hospital
Chapel Street
Maldon VIC 3463
2. All applications are to be postmarked no later than Friday, 28 January 2011. Please note, applications **cannot be hand delivered**, faxed or emailed. Also, **do not include original documents** with the application as material can not be returned.

3. Short-listed applicants will be interviewed during the week commencing Monday, 7 February 2011 by a Selection Panel appointed by the Board
4. All applicants will be advised of the outcome of their Scholarship application in writing no later than Monday, 20 February 2011. Letters will be forwarded to the postal address as listed on the application form.
5. The Selection Panel's decision, as ratified by the Board, is final.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must:

1. Be an Australian citizen.
2. Have resided in the Maldon region for a minimum of three years
3. Be in the process of enrolling, or enrolled, as a full time student for that year in a tertiary health related course as approved by the Board.
4. Not be a recipient of another education scholarship.

Further information

If you need further information, or clarification of any points in the Guidelines, please contact:

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