

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE

ABORIGINAL HOUSING OFFICE TERTIARY ACCOMMODATION GRANTS – STUDENT APPLICATION FORM



APPLICATION FORM

Please complete this form and submit to wollotuka@newcastle.edu.au along with your supporting documents.

PERSONAL DETAILS

Surname:

First Name:

Date of Birth:

Residential Address:

City:

State:

Post code:

Postal Address:

City:

State:

Post code:

Telephone:

Mobile:

Email:

EDUCATION DETAILS

Name of Education Institute:

Degree/Course Name:

Intended Start Date:

Expected Duration of Course:

Student Number (If applicable):

BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

Bank Name:

BSB number:

Account Number:

I declare that I am enrolled/will be enrolling full-time (30 units per semester or more) in an on-campus program with University of Newcastle in 2024.

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Aboriginality

I have attached evidence, in the form required by the Aboriginal Housing Office, Tertiary Accommodation Grants Operational Guidelines (the Operational Guidelines), that I am an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person, being either a letter in the approved for from one of the following approved organisations: (see <http://www.aho.nsw.gov.au> for relevant forms and more information on proof of evidence)

Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Association Incorporated under the Corporations (Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (formerly the Aboriginal Councils & Associations Act 1976).

Local Aboriginal Land Council

Incorporated Aboriginal community organisation **OR**, if those forms of evidence are not available:

Statutory Declaration

A copy of all supporting documentation required under the Operational Guidelines must also be attached.

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2. 16 Years or Older

I am/will be 16 years or older at the commencement of the course:

Please select:

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3. Housing Stress

I have attached a copy of information to substantiate that I am currently in housing stress (more than 40% of my gross income is spent on accommodation expenses).

Evidence of weekly rent payable (lease agreement or letter from landlord)

A payslip (if applicable)

Proof of Centrelink Income (if applicable)

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4. Pre and Post Survey

I am willing to participate in a pre and post survey to assist the Aboriginal Housing Office to evaluate the program:

Please select:

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5. Evidence of Independent Living Arrangements

I have attached evidence of an independent living arrangement:

A rental Bond Notice (in my name)

A lease agreement (in my name)

A letter from my landlord (in my name)

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6. Agreement to Program Conditions

I have read the attached Tertiary Accommodation Grant Guidelines and agree to fulfil my requirements:

Please select:

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7. Statement of Claim

I have attached a 'Statement of Claim' outlining the reasons why I should be considered for a Tertiary Accommodation Grant – No more than 600 words in length.

Please select:

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8. Referees

Referee 1

Name:

Contact number:

Relationship:

Referee 2

Name:

Contact number:

Relationship:

To the best of my knowledge all the above information is true and accurate:

Signed:

Date:

Print

Name:

TERTIARY ACCOMMODATION GRANTS – Guidelines

These Guidelines contain:

- Grant information
 - Grant terms and conditions
 - Student Obligations
 - Constraints
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GRANT INFORMATION

- The grants are capped at up to \$10,000 per student
 - Grants are for accommodation related expenses only
 - The full grant will be administered by the tertiary institution as a stipend payment into the student's nominated bank account.
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GRANT TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Students must agree to the Guidelines (this document) and complete the application form which includes proof of:

- Student must be Aboriginal
 - Proof of age (16 Years of older)
 - Student must be enrolled in a full time, on campus degree course or recognised University bridging pathways course
 - Applicants must provide evidence that they are a social housing tenant or experiencing housing stress (housing stress is defined as an individual expending more than 40% of weekly income on housing)
 - Students must provide evidence of independent living (forms of evidence below)
 - Students must provide proof of income
 - Students must provide a 'Statement of Claim' (see application form for further details)
 - Students must provide referees.
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STUDENT OBLIGATIONS

- Students will be required to provide evidence on an independent living arrangement
 - Students intending on leaving or differing will need to provide this information in writing to the grant management section of their institute
 - Students may be required to provide receipts to acquit the grant funds, (upon request only)
 - Students are required to participate in a pre and post survey.
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PROGRAM CONSTRAINTS

- The grants are capped at up to \$10,000 per student
- The grants are for Aboriginal students enrolled in full time studies only, with a minimum duration of three years, or an accredited University bridging pathways program.