

## WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT:

To secure the continuing success of this worthwhile community initiative we need your support.

It is our desire to increase both the value of the grants and the range of essential health skill areas we support. Community needs and health sector shortages are reviewed annually to determine our key focus areas.

We encourage local businesses and community service organisations to consider making a financial contribution to support the future of the Mount Gambier and District Tertiary Health Education Grants.

Opportunities are available to secure naming rights to the grants that are provided each year.

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**“The grant definitely made things easier for me and my family.”**

*- Grant Recipient*

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The City of Mount Gambier will continue to support this important program through the management of the funds and the administration of the program.

Donations requiring an income tax deduction can be paid to the Mount Gambier Private Hospital Inc. which holds deductible gift recipient status.

We welcome your pledge of support so we may enhance and expand this valuable community initiative.

Mount Gambier & District

## TERTIARY HEALTH EDUCATION GRANTS

For further details about the application process or to discuss your interest in becoming a partner in the Mount Gambier and District Tertiary Health Education Grant program please contact the project team on 08 8721 2555.

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**For application forms visit Council's website:** [www.mountgambier.sa.gov.au](http://www.mountgambier.sa.gov.au)

**or the Civic Centre at:**  
10 Watson Terrace Mount Gambier

**or phone Council:** 8721 2555

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Mount Gambier Lakes



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## TERTIARY HEALTH EDUCATION GRANTS

Supporting and fostering City and District residents who need to leave the region in order to undertake university studies in the identified health skill areas required within our community.

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*A Mount Gambier & District  
Community Initiative*



Since 2007, The Mount Gambier and District Tertiary Health Education Grants have supported residents from Mount Gambier and the surrounding district who need to leave the region to undertake university studies in health skill areas required within our community.

The grants are provided through a community partnership between a range of supporters including the City of Mount Gambier, District Council of Grant, Flinders Rural Health SA, UFS Chemist, Mount Gambier and District Community Bank and the Rotary Club of Mount Gambier Lakes. A range of generous local businesses and individuals also help to make the grants possible through their ongoing financial support.

“This grant has definitely alleviated the financial pressure and allowed me to concentrate on my studies to obtain the best possible result that I can.”

- Grant Recipient

Each year, a limited number of grants are offered, building our regional capacity to generate an increased presence of skilled and trained health professionals.

The grants deliver a unique community-led response to local essential skill shortages within the health sector.

The grant is available to support students with costs directly associated with their tertiary studies such as accommodation, text books, uniforms, selection tests and communication costs.

Applications from eligible students are welcomed at the start of each academic year.

## INFORMATION & APPLICATION:

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The Mount Gambier and District Tertiary Health Education Grant (closing 31<sup>st</sup> March) valued at \$2,000 per student, is open to applicants meeting the following criteria:

- Applicants must have resided in the City of Mount Gambier or District Council of Grant for a minimum of two years.
- Applicants must be undertaking full or part time (minimum of 50% full time equivalent) studies with a recognised Australian university located outside the Mount Gambier area.
- Students must be commencing or continuing university studies in either an internal, external or mixed mode study program, within the identified skill areas. More details of these are listed on our website. *Preference will be given to applicants studying courses where there is a direct or demonstrated connection to a health related occupation.*
- Applicants may be required to participate in an interview as part of the selection process.
- Applicants must be Australian citizens or permanent residents of Australia.
- No age restrictions apply.

## TERMS & CONDITIONS:

- While a recipient may apply more than once, it is unlikely that a second grant would be provided.
- The grant cannot be deferred.
- The grants will not be offered if there are no suitable applicants.
- Successful applicants must provide details of any other scholarships or financial assistance received for the current year.
- Successful applicants may be required to assist with promotion of the grants program by “showcasing” the benefits derived through receipt of the grant.
- Successful applicants must submit a Recipients Statement by 30 September detailing how the grant has been utilised and the progression of their studies.
- Should a recipient be awarded an additional grant or scholarship to the value of \$10,000 or more the offer from this grant program is void.

## NOTES:

- Grants may, in some instances, be counted as income against Youth Allowance or other forms of government assistance payments. Likewise students may be eligible for tax exemptions for scholarships. We therefore recommend applicants seek independent financial and taxation advice.
- Acceptance of the grant may put at risk eligibility for receipt of other scholarships (e.g. Smith Family Learning for Life Scholarship). It is the responsibility of the recipient to ensure eligibility requirements are met.

“The simplest things make the biggest differences to peoples’ lives.”

- Grant Recipient