# The Rotary Club of Loxton Vocational Scholarship

This scholarship has been established by the Rotary Club of Loxton to support a student **from the Loxton/Browns Well region of South Australia** who is **commencing any undergraduate program of study on a full time basis** as a Commonwealth Supported student at a South Australian University. The scholarship holder will be selected on academic merit, vocational commitment and community involvement.

The scholarship is valued at **$10,000 in total payable for a maximum period of two years**. The scholarship will provide an allowance to assist with living costs for the first and second year of the student's study at a South Australian University.

To be eligible for nomination students must:

- Be Australian citizens and permanent resident of the Loxton/Brown's Well Districts in the preceding two years prior to February 28th 2017.
- Have applied through SATAC for admission to a Commonwealth Supported Place in an undergraduate Bachelor's degree program with a vocational focus at a South Australian University in 2017 and be eligible to receive an offer of a place in that program.
- The award is not limited to school leavers and mature age applicants that meet the criteria may apply (note residential requirements).
- Be commencing post-secondary studies for the first time in 2017.
- Be a full-time student as defined by the University.
- Obtain an **Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) of 80 or greater**, excluding any bonus points.
- **Preference will be given applicants who are part of the first generation of their family to attend tertiary education.**

The award conditions

- The award of a scholarship is subject to the student's admission to an undergraduate Bachelor's program and confirmation of full time enrolment at each of the census dates (31 March and 31 August) as defined by the university.
- The scholarship will be payable in two instalments of $2500 each year, April 2017 and September 2017\, subject to confirmation of continuing eligibility at each of the census dates and satisfactory academic progress in their studies. The scholarship will be paid directly to the student.
- Students must obtain a Grade Point Average of at least 5.0 at the end of each semester, in order to receive the next scholarship payment.
- The offer of a scholarship may not be deferred and may not be awarded in any year.

Selection of the successful candidates will be made according to **academic merit, vocational commitment, an interview and with reference to the applicant's written statement regarding their chosen vocation, referees, school activities and responsibilities and/or community involvement relating to their chosen field.**

Applications will be accepted from those students undertaking vocationally based courses relevant to the needs of regional South Australia. Applicants will be required to attend an interview by a panel selected by the Rotary Club of Loxton.

Academic merit will be determined according to ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admission Rank) scores. Students in receipt of other major scholarships may apply for this scholarship.
Applications closed 5.00pm **Friday 20 January 2017**. Late nominations will not be accepted.

Application forms can be obtained from the Secretary in one of the following ways.

***In person and for clarification:***
Director of Vocational Service
Des Schliebs
0458082247

***or***

***In Writing***
The Secretary
Rotary Club of Loxton
PO Box 135
Loxton SA 5333

**Applications will only be available on our website after October 1st 2016.**