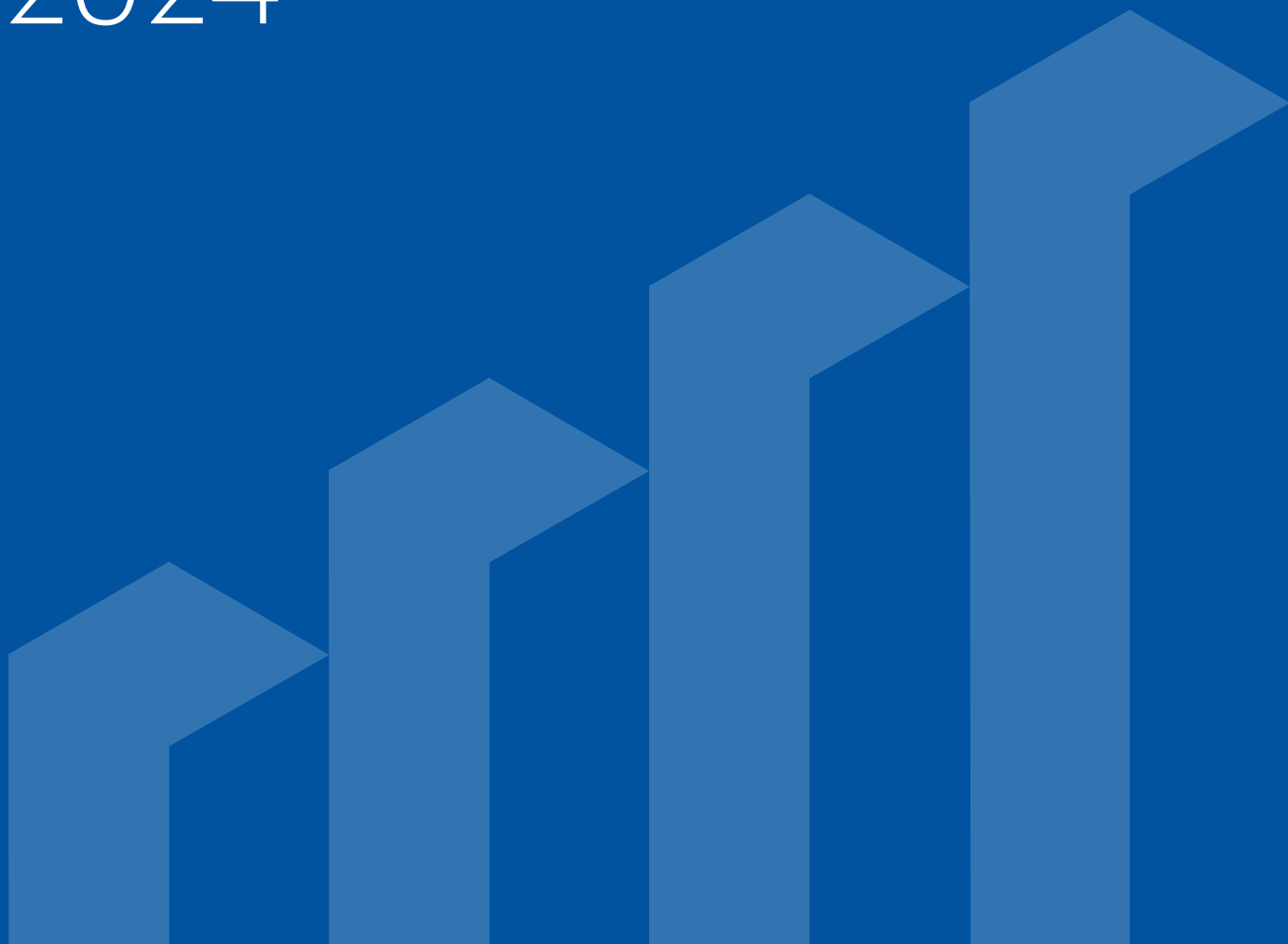
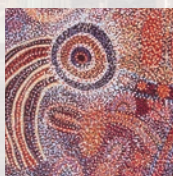


Scholarships and Grants 2024



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Acknowledgement of Country

UniSA respects the Kurna, Boandik and Barngarla peoples' spiritual relationship with their country.
Artist: Ngupulya Pumani

Find out more about the University's commitment to reconciliation at unisa.edu.au/RAP



Pridham Hall/Yangkadlitya Wardli – named
in honour of alum and generous benefactor
Adjunct Professor Andrew Pridham AO DUniv





Chancellor's Welcome

The University of South Australia's scholarships and grants program supports talented students to achieve their absolute best. Whether it's through financial assistance, work experience, travel, or mentoring, this program helps UniSA students realise their full potential, supported by the wonderful generosity of our donor community.

For many students, these scholarships and grants provide a chance to excel that may not exist otherwise. That is a fantastic opportunity for those individuals, helping them gain skills and understandings that might be out of reach without support. It is also a vital contribution to the wider community, which will benefit from the knowledge those students gain through their learning experience.

UniSA's scholarships and grants program would not be possible without the support of our wonderful donors, including many from among our alumni. That generosity is essential to realising UniSA's goals, not only in our aims around education, but also in our wider commitment to fostering a society built on equity, inclusion, and diversity.

Thanks to the support of our donors, UniSA has been able to provide life-changing opportunities for students from a diverse range of backgrounds, rewarding their dedication and determination, and helping them become the innovators and leaders of tomorrow.

As we look to the future, and the creation of a new university in South Australia, we know many award recipients recognised in this booklet will become the benchmark and inspiration for students of our new institution. We thank you for that – and congratulate you on your outstanding achievements.

Hon John Hill

Chancellor
University of South Australia
Hetzel Group Member



Vice Chancellor's Welcome

For more than three decades, the University of South Australia has aimed to provide the best possible learning opportunities for people from all backgrounds and circumstances in life. One of UniSA's defining values as an institution is equitable access to education, and our scholarships and grants program is central to that ideal.

Education is transformational, and this program ensures that life-changing potential is accessible to everyone, providing exceptional students from all walks of life the opportunity to shine. For many, that support helps overcome financial barriers – and I thank our donors greatly for making that possible – but, just as importantly, this program shows our students they are respected, needed, and trusted.

Education is always an investment in the future, and through this program, we are telling our most promising students that we have faith in them to make that future better for all of us – and that they can count on our support to do so. That is a commitment to our community, and that has always been the UniSA vision.

I thank our academic and professional staff, alumni, corporate and private donors, and the many other friends of the University who share and support that vision. Importantly, it is a vision we are carrying into the creation of a new university in South Australia, and it is vital we reaffirm our commitment to equity and access as we work to shape that new institution.

As we look to the future, we are proud to continue our commitment to providing life-changing opportunities to students in South Australia, and we hope the generosity and great potential represented by our current scholarships and grants program stands as an inspiration for that work in the years ahead.

Professor David G Lloyd

Vice Chancellor and President
University of South Australia
Hetzel Group Member

Scholarship and Grant Recipients

New for 2024

Alkira Burrows Aboriginal Scholarship

assists second year undergraduates enrolled in the Nursing, Teaching or Allied Health programs by providing funds towards living and/or education expenses.

[Skye Doudle](#)

Betty Can:Do 4Kids Occupational Therapy Scholarship

recognises and encourages talented students who wish to pursue occupational therapy as a career and work in a field that broadly aligns with the Can:Do Group operations.

[Renee Baldock](#)

Betty Can:Do 4Kids Speech Pathology Scholarship

recognises and encourages talented students who wish to pursue speech pathology as a career and work in a field that broadly aligns with the Can:Do Group operations.

[Emily Cuttle](#)

Dr Rosemary Brooks OAM UniSA Refugee Grant

is available to an undergraduate student from a refugee/asylum seeker background enrolled in any bachelor's degree program and experiencing financial or educational disadvantage.

[Linh Al-Nuaimi](#)

Eli Flugelman Kindness and Compassion Grant

supports an undergraduate student enrolled in a Psychology program who demonstrates their interest in how human beings acquire the capacities we call compassion and empathy.

[Zoe Richardson](#)

Ian Berriman Memorial Architecture Scholarship

is designed to support a student throughout their architecture studies (including undergraduate and postgraduate programs), leading to future registration as an architect.

[Misty Verrall](#)

Korvest Mechanical Engineering and Advanced Manufacturing Scholarship

supports students enrolled in nominated Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) programs with opportunity for industry experience and a project internship.

[Amarpal Atwal](#)

Margaret J Duncan Scholarship

is available to students enrolled in a UniSA Business undergraduate program who demonstrate academic achievement and financial need.

[Thi Hong Doan Le](#)

McCleary Murchland UniSA Laptop Grant

assists high-achieving students from regional areas or students from a refugee background by providing them with a new laptop to use to undertake their undergraduate studies.

[Kashaya Carpenter](#), [Kimjoline Dunham](#), [Ali Raza Haidari](#), [Millie Kuhne](#), [Leah Mann](#), [Sarah McIldowie](#), [Leah Phillips](#), [Susan Rowe](#), [Sophie Stoddard](#), [Sophie Tattoli](#)

Rantanen Reynolds Family Sport and Recreation Management Grant

provides female students enrolled in a Bachelor of Business (Sport and Recreation Management) with funds towards living and/or extra-curricular activities.

[Emma Waterman](#)

Sarah Group Business Grant

is awarded to a second-year student in a nominated Business program and includes the opportunity to engage with Sarah Group to gain valuable work and practical experience.

[Felicity Harding](#)

Suzanne Caragianis PhD Top-Up Scholarship

provides support for an international Doctor of Philosophy student undertaking a research project in the field of Occupational Therapy or Physiotherapy.

[Karma Phuentsho](#)

Continuing

Ali Pentelow Physiotherapy Scholarship

is awarded to a high-achieving third-year full-time UniSA physiotherapy student with strong academic results who has demonstrated a high standard of clinical skills, delivered with sensitivity and care.

Alana Spirou

Annie Roman Young Refugee Grant

provides financial assistance to refugee students experiencing hardship by partially covering living and education expenses, allowing the student to better focus on their studies and realise their aspirations.

Latifa Ahmadi

Anthony and Robin Radford Family Student Grant

is awarded to undergraduate students from a refugee background studying full-time within Clinical and Health Sciences or Allied Health and Human Performance.

Kheirieh Banisaeed, Cing Sawh Lun

Architectus Third Year Grant

recognises students with a solid academic record based on grades obtained in the program's first two years who intend to progress to the Master of Architecture.

Alice Cox

Barefoot to Boots Refugee Grant

encourages and supports talented, financially constrained students from a refugee background as they embark on their university studies.

Kubra Amiri, Madineh Heidari, Fatima Muhammad Saleh

Biggins Family Scholarship

encourages students from South Australian regional high schools to pursue a UniSA business qualification, in the face of financial and other challenges, by assisting with relocation and other costs.

Kalyn Ratcliffe

Brake Family Refugee Grant

recognises there are people suffering from oppression, prejudice, poverty or lack of opportunity who may have had to flee their country. It is available to refugees studying a bachelor degree at UniSA.

Hera Bajgai

Built Environs Construction Management Grant

is awarded to second-year students enrolled in Construction Management (Honours) and includes an opportunity for paid work experience with the organisation.

Noah Dowsett, Seamus Flaherty

BUPA UniSA International Student Grant

is available to undergraduate and postgraduate coursework international students who are excelling academically and are active in the community.

Janya Cariappa Coluvanda, Quynh Anh Duong, Alexandra Joe, Charlene Kwok, Khushi Damodar Naik

Carter Property Scholarship

is available to high-achieving students enrolled in the second year of the Bachelor of Business (Property) degree at UniSA.

Catherine Easson

CEA Technologies Engineering Scholarship

is available to second-year students enrolled in the mechanical engineering undergraduate program, providing financial assistance and the valuable opportunity of paid work experience.

Dean Pastrello

Codan Undergraduate STEM Scholarship for Women

acknowledges and encourages talented female STEM students with financial assistance and paid work experience complemented by mentoring and potentially future employment.

Anusha Chandra

Cowan Family Grants

support initiatives that help students from rural and regional areas, students with a disability, and initiatives that involve international travel and adventure.

In 2024 the following grants were offered:

- **Cowan Ability Grant** – supporting students with a disability.
Jessica Arnold, Abby Jennings, Jackline Ludoru, Alexander Reynolds, Ashley Thiele
- **Cowan International Placement Grant** – assisting students in undertaking professional experience placements abroad.
Amber De Barro, Gabriel Schembri, Isabella Zunic
- **Cowan Regional Grant** – awarded to students based at the Mount Gambier campus.
Angela Case, Tammy Simpson, Ariel Thompson
- **Cowan Regional Placement Grant** – awarded to students at the Mount Gambier campus undertaking a professional experience placement.
Carla Morony, Georgia Revill, Ava Smith-Muhovics, Mykaela Thiele, Lucy Walker, Meg Wilson
- **Cowan Young Endeavour Grant** – an opportunity to develop communication, leadership and teamwork skills aboard the Young Endeavour sail training ship.
Erin Cousins
- **University of South Australia Rural Reconnect Relocation Scholarship, sponsored by Cowan Family Grants** – assists students from rural and isolated areas relocating to pursue undergraduate study.
Elisha Carter, Millie Kuhne, Susan Rowe, Madeline Wirth

David Pank Northern Areas Education Placement Grant

assists high achieving education students to complete a required placement in a northern area high school.

Abbey Bates, Lisa Dewhurst, Stephen Whittington

DesignInc Interior Architecture Grant

is offered to interior architecture students at the start of their third year of a bachelor degree and includes the opportunity for work placement at the firm.

Joshua Kleemann



DesignInc Master of Architecture Grant

is designed to complement enrolment in Advanced Architectural Design Studio (Construction) and includes a paid work placement at DesignInc in the students' final year.

Jay Van Dam

Dr Terry Farquharson Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Science Scholarship

provides encouragement and support for pharmacy and pharmaceutical science students from an international background.

Thi Bao Han Huynh

Dr Terry Farquharson Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Science Encouragement Prize

Laila Ahmadi, Jihea Chae, Hadi Muradi

Dr Terry Farquharson PhD Top-Up Scholarship

is available to students who have completed a UniSA undergraduate pharmacy qualification and wish to pursue advanced research in the field of pharmacy.

Joel Moore

Elite Athlete Scholarship

assists the recipient by reducing financial pressures and supporting them to achieve academic excellence while also pursuing a high level in their sporting career.

Jasmin Fullgrave

Finn Family Refugee Study Grant

is awarded to a student from a refugee background enrolled in a UniSA College program or an undergraduate degree. It is designed to assist recipients in meeting study costs.

Sukina Barati

Future Leaders Human Resource Management Scholarship

is awarded to students in their final year of the undergraduate program who demonstrate a solid academic record and a commitment to the profession.

Rebekah Arnold, Stephanie Gregory

Gavin Walkley Memorial Grant in Architecture

is designed to provide financial support to full-time students undertaking the first year of a Master of Architecture who are developing their skills and knowledge.

Lia Taglienti, Jay Van Dam

Gavin Wanganeen Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Scholarship

is open to Aboriginal students enrolled in any undergraduate program. Recipients act as a positive ambassador for the scholarship to encourage support.

Stella Cozamanis, Aleah Poole, Imogen Stanley

Gavin Wanganeen Aboriginal Scholarship (sponsored by Department of State Development)

is available to final year Aboriginal students and offers informal mentoring or in-kind assistance and the opportunity to build relationships with the Department.

Charlotte Sapio

Gavin Wanganeen Aboriginal STEM Scholarship

supports undergraduates studying engineering, information technology, science or any health related program with a strong desire to succeed and give back to their local communities.

Vanessa Kimpton, Dylan Norris

George Alexander Foundation UniSA Regional Scholarship

recognises commencing regional students who demonstrate academic achievement, community involvement, and leadership potential.

Ezra Lockwood, Aaliyah Loffler, Aslin Spolding

George and Nita Balales Grant for the Creative Arts

provides financial assistance for material and general living expenses. Funds may be used for extracurricular activities to broaden horizons and contribute to success in the creative arts.

Drew Bennett

Gibb Group Property Scholarship

is available to commencing UniSA property students and includes the opportunity to undertake work experience with the Gibb Group at any of their Australian regional offices.

Annabelle Moran

Gladys Elphick Memorial Scholarship

was established with a substantial bequest to support Aboriginal students undertaking studies in the health sciences.

Jake Hanson

Glenn Family Accounting Scholarship

is available to students with a close connection to the northern areas of Adelaide commencing a program that fulfils accreditation requirements for Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand.

Riza Bhayla

GO Foundation Aboriginal Scholarship

is open to commencing or continuing Aboriginal students residing in or near Greater Adelaide enrolled full-time or part-time in any undergraduate program, including online programs.

Patricia-Mary Bennetts, Brandon Jackson-Martin

Goodes O'Loughlin UniSA GO Scholarship

supports high-achieving Aboriginal students enrolled in a health or fitness-related undergraduate degree program.

Jarrad Goyne

Gould Experimental Science Grant

is designed to encourage research students to undertake "hands-on" research through experimental work. It recognises early-career researchers and the value of applying proper scientific method.

David Willmore

Gould Experimental Science Encouragement Prize

Srinivas Kamath

Graham Arnold Prize

is awarded to the PhD student at UniSA with the best dissertation in the area of Management, Corporate Social Responsibility, International Management or International Business.

Ruth Sims

Graham Arnold Travel Grant

is awarded to a PhD student in Corporate Social Responsibility, International Management or International Business to assist with the travel costs of attending a specific conference in the United States.

Josephine Mckenzie

Hazel Family Scholarship

assists commencing UniSA students new to higher education who completed their secondary education at five designated western Adelaide high schools or Lucindale Area School in the south-east of the state.

Jasmine Berggren-Levitt, Nghi Le

Helen Berriman Scholarship

supports female students looking to begin their careers in Clinical and Health Sciences, specifically Laboratory Medicine and Biomedical Science.

Sarah Greenslade

Hohborn Refugee Support Grant

is awarded to a female UniSA undergraduate from a refugee background, who is experiencing financial difficulty, to pay tuition fees upfront and is actively engaged in their community.

Shikofa Anguri

Ian Cox Memorial Social Work Honours Scholarship

encourages research supporting the care and protection of at risk children and young people.

Sarah Jackson

Ian D McLachlan Memorial Grant

is available to final-year students enrolled in business programs and acknowledges the contribution to UniSA of its namesake.

Jack Clark

Irene and David Davy Scholarship for Advancement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education

is one of UniSA's longest-standing scholarships and is open to Aboriginal students in the final year of an undergraduate or honours program.

Philana Downie, Hayley Kurray, Makayla Moseley-Greatwich

Jennifer McKay Innovative Socio Legal Research Grant

is open to continuing Doctorate by Research or Master of Research students enrolled in their second or third year whose research proposal is already approved. The grant encourages innovative socio-legal research.

Miranda Willet

Joanne Megan Nursing Placement Grant

supports enrolled nurses working in rural, regional or remote hospitals or health centres who hold a Diploma of Nursing and seek to become registered nurses through UniSA's Bachelor of Nursing program. The grant supports clinical placement in a metropolitan location.

Levi Collins, Cheyanne Donnelly, Meika Dunstan, Tegan Gray, Alice Jackson, Molly McBride, Brittany Wilhelm

Kemp Family Aboriginal Student Grant

assists Aboriginal single parents studying any undergraduate program at any year level in the area of greatest need, be it study costs, living expenses, travel or placement associate costs.

Philana Downie, Makayla Moseley-Greatwich, Melissa Turner

Kenneth Anesbury First Year Grant

is available to students from designated northern suburb areas who are new to higher education and enrolled full-time in any UniSA undergraduate degree.

Hera Bajgai

King Family Refugee Support Grant

is open to an undergraduate from a refugee background who is a permanent resident of Australia or holds a humanitarian visa, and recognises the factors affecting their ability to access ongoing tertiary education.

Nasrin Mohibi



Leahurst Foundation Final Year Midwifery Placement Grant

provides financial support to midwifery students experiencing financial hardship due to undertaking their final clinical placement to complete their studies.

Victoria Hoskin, Lara MacGregor

Leahurst Foundation Final Year Nursing Placement Grant

provides financial support to nursing students experiencing financial hardship due to undertaking their final clinical placement to complete their studies.

Kirsty Beauchamp, Indeya Clark, Funmilayo Dansu, Jacquelyn Dapat, Alannah Davis, Kiara Dransfield, Cindy Edwards, Stacey-Ann Hanley, Jaswant Kaur, Claire Standen, Amanda Tolhurst, Shakira Udris

Mainfreight Grant

encourages and fosters the development of a UniSA business or commerce student in their final year of study, with a view to offering the recipient a place in Mainfreight's Graduate Program.

Lucy Dando

Marcia Nicholl Research Top-Up Scholarship

is designed to empower female students to undertake a Doctorate by Research or Masters by Research by providing financial support throughout the program.

Naomi Thornthwaite

Maurice de Rohan International Scholarship

provides research degree students with an opportunity to gain an international perspective and improve their thesis through undertaking research, data collection or work with institutional or industry partners in the United Kingdom or United States.

Hannah Cockram, David Randall, Raman Voranau

Mavis and Moira Grant

is awarded to a female student undertaking her final or Honours year of an undergraduate program in the field of Social Work, Psychological Science, Psychology or Sociology with a demonstrated interest in the field of child protection or the development of at risk babies and/or pre-school age children.

Anastasia Olsen

National Pharmacies Community Regional Placement Scholarship

is available to second-year students enrolled in a Bachelor of Pharmacy (Honours) with a demonstrated interest in working as a community pharmacist upon graduation.

Amber Douglass

Ngampa Aboriginal Student Scholarship

aims to further the Wood Foundation's goal to prevent cycles of inequality, particularly for women and girls experiencing disadvantage, by assisting undergraduate students in acquiring a university degree.

Kirra Doherty, Aleah Poole

Norton Jackson Material Science and Engineering Medal

is awarded annually to a PhD graduate or graduand from the UniSA Future Industries Institute who has demonstrated the most potential or real application of research in industry.

Dr Fernando Fontana

O'Sullivan Stacey Aboriginal Scholarship

is available to full-time and part-time second-year First Nations students undertaking a Bachelor's degree and experiencing financial hardship, allowing them to discover their potential.

Kirra Doherty

Patricia Trott Refugee Scholarship

is awarded to a UniSA commencing undergraduate student from a refugee background enrolled in an Allied Health and Human Performance or Clinical Health Sciences program.

Sukina Barati

Peter Kittle Motor Company Scholarship

is awarded to students studying full-time in a range of undergraduate business degrees. The recipients have the opportunity to work closely within the company to gain practical experience.

Sagetha Bamuthevan, Katelin Gunn, Loui Savva

Radiology SA Medical Radiation Grant

is available to students enrolled full-time or part-time in Bachelor of Medical Radiation Science (Medical Imaging) or Bachelor of Medical Radiation Science (Nuclear Medicine).

Vishal Rana

Refugee Student Grant

has been designed to relieve some of the cultural, political and economic pressures of adjusting to being both a recent arrival and a university student by assisting with living and/or education expenses.

Sabri Ahmadi

Resthaven 75th Anniversary Undergraduate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nursing Scholarship

is awarded to students interested in aged care as a career within the context of the needs of services for older Aboriginal people.

Lara Munro

Resthaven Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Allied Health Scholarship

is awarded based upon academic merit to Aboriginal students with genuine interest in aged care as a career.

Kieley Donhardt, Birri-Li Murray

Resthaven Undergraduate Nursing Scholarship

awarded to a first or second-year UniSA student undertaking the Bachelor of Nursing program at any campus (includes Mt Gambier and Whyalla).

Georgia Pitkin, Emily Zuer Spooner



Resthaven Undergraduate Occupational Therapy Scholarship

is available to third year students with a genuine interest in aged care as a career who are willing to speak constructively and positively about the important work occupational therapists undertake in that field.

Olivia Turner

Resthaven Undergraduate Physiotherapy Scholarship

is available to third year students with a genuine interest in aged care as a career who are willing to speak constructively and positively about the important work physiotherapists undertake in that field.

Emma Hislop

Richard Oertel Memorial Mathematics Grant

is a perpetual award that recognises and rewards talented UniSA mathematics students.

Huyen Thi Thu Pham

Rick and Barbara Allert International UniSA Business Travel Grant

was established to support undergraduate business students to gain international experience as part of their program.

Jessica Tresidder

Robyn Parkes Postgraduate Nursing Grant

is offered to external postgraduate nursing students from rural or isolated areas and provides financial assistance for associated costs for postgraduate study.

Miriam Bayes

Robyn Parkes Undergraduate Nursing Prize

is awarded to a UniSA student in the final year of the Bachelor of Nursing program who has demonstrated academic and general improvement as they have progressed through the program.

Amy Fenton, Emma McCloud

Rotary Club of the Barossa Valley Foundation Scholarship

is available to high achieving students from the Barossa or Eden Valley regions who are recent school leavers enrolled full-time in a UniSA undergraduate degree.

Jack Pietsch

Ruth Grant Refugee Scholarship

is available to refugees experiencing financial hardship who are commencing an undergraduate degree in an Allied Health and Human Performance or Clinical and Health Sciences programs.

Sadiqa Amiri

San Remo UniSA Business Grant

is available to domestic students in various UniSA undergraduate business programs. The grant includes the opportunity to engage with the company to gain valuable work and practical experience.

Emma Rudd

Sarre Family Refugee Grant

provides encouragement and support for an undergraduate female student from a refugee background who has demonstrated leadership skills.

Cing Sawh Lun

Scheer Science Research Grant

encourages and supports talented students as they embark on an honours year or their first year of a master's or PhD who are keen to research an area of importance to society or making Australia a better place.

Rory Shepherd

Scheer Honours Science Encouragement Prize

Tharika Rodrigo, Jack Scanlan

Scholz Vinall Aboriginal Architecture Scholarship

is designed to help Aboriginal architecture students meet the costs of studying and pursuing their architecture specialisation.

Jarod Hulsinga

Shirley Harper Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Scholarship in Education

is awarded to full-time students enrolled in a Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood, Primary or Secondary) who identify as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander.

Patricia-Mary Bennetts, Jayden Willie

SIDA Foundation PhD Scholarship

is a perpetual top-up scholarship for high-achieving PhD students in the field of interior design / interior architecture.

Roxane Adams

Sir William Tyree Engineering Scholarship

assists commencing students from regional or rural backgrounds to pursue their dream of obtaining a UniSA engineering qualification.

Izabella Kozak

Southcott Undergraduate Engineering Scholarship

recognises students who demonstrate academic achievement, leadership skills and potential and have a passion for engineering with clear career objectives, and offers valuable work experience.

[Jackson Brandt](#)

St Andrew's Hospital Nursing Experiential Learning Grant

is designed to remove the financial concerns from the placement process so that students are better equipped with the knowledge and experience to one day practice in the field.

[Ashlin Bruce](#), [Sarah Colley](#), [Alice Jackson](#), [Sophia Montefusco](#), [Ngoc Tram Nguyen](#)

Susan Seymour Student Grant

helps a first-year undergraduate in financial need, recognising that many university students face financial and other hardships while pursuing their dream of attaining a tertiary qualification.

[Caitlin Douglass](#), [Teesha Riley](#)

Susan Seymour Student Encouragement Prize

[Layla Forster](#)

Tedmans-Pieters Family Refugee Grant

provides financial relief to help female students from a refugee background prepare for university while adjusting to a new culture, customs and language.

[Zahra Bayani](#)

UniSA Justice and Society Refugee Grant

encourages and supports a UniSA student from a refugee background studying any undergraduate program in UniSA Justice and Society.

[Razia Jamale](#)

Wattle Range Council UniSA Study Grant

assists students who resided in the Wattle Range Council area during Year 12, with the cost of undertaking university study, including relocation costs, travel expenses, textbooks and the purchase of computer hardware and software.

[Tayla Rowe](#) (Adelaide), [Sally Sapiatzer](#) (Mt Gambier)

William T Southcott Scholarship

is awarded to outstanding students, allowing them to undertake a PhD in the field of practical engineering.

[Andrew Edwards](#)

Yangadlitya Aboriginal Postgraduate Scholarship

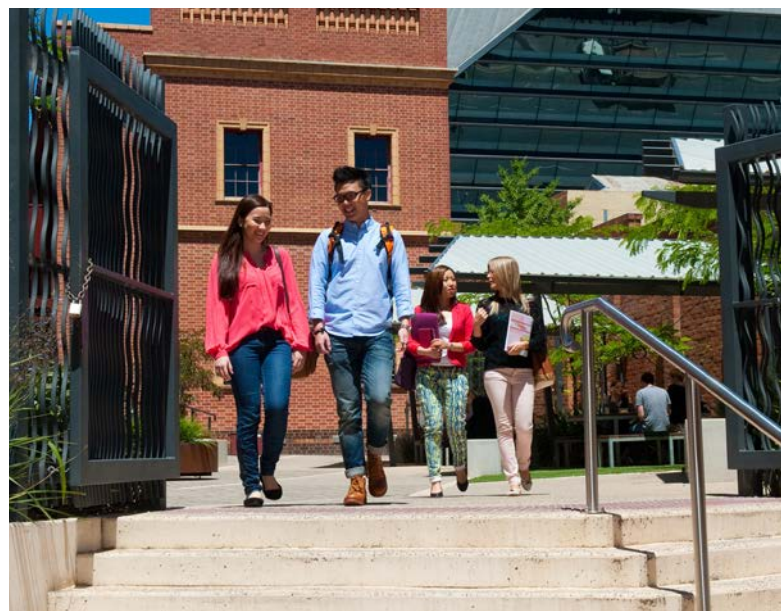
is made possible through a Deed of Gift from the Aborigines Advancement League to UniSA and Flinders University, and is designed to advance the education of Aboriginal postgraduate students.

[Hannah Hughes](#), [Samantha Nillissen](#), [Kayla Vitale](#)

Ziptrak Engineering and Product Design Grant

is awarded to a student who is enrolled in an engineering or product design program and provides an opportunity to engage with the company to learn more about the manufacturing industry.

[Ain Batrisyia Mohammad Gadapi](#)



The Cowan family's legacy

For three generations, the Cowan family has demonstrated a strong commitment to equal access to education and the benefits of life-changing experiences.

The Cowan Grant Trust was established in 1994 by Bob Cowan, OAM FUnISA, and his mother, Marnie, to perpetuate the family's strong belief in providing equal access to education.

Over three decades, the Trust has become a beacon of empowerment, particularly for rural and regional students, those with disabilities, and individuals seeking personal and professional growth through international experiences. Since its inception, the Trust has generously aided nearly 300 students at UniSA, disbursing grants to the value of \$700,000.

Coming from a humble background, Bob's father, Bill Cowan, had to fund his university education. While he won a postgraduate scholarship in Arts and free passage to London University in the early 1930s, it was financially challenging. This first-hand experience led to his resolution to assist disadvantaged students whenever possible, a thought shared by his future wife, Marnie.

Bill and Marnie Cowan were firm believers in the benefit of education and encouraging students, including their three children, to make their own way rather than relying on gifts or a large inheritance. Marnie was a teacher, and Bill was a librarian. The family lived frugally, but they invested wisely. After Bill's death, Marnie donated the family home to charity, and she and her son Bob used their investment portfolio to establish the Cowan Grant and award the inaugural Cowan Scholarships.

The Trust's initiatives span a wide range of opportunities, addressing diverse student needs. From enabling access to university for those facing traditional learning challenges to providing essential support for health-affected students, the Cowan Trust stands firm in its dedication to expanding access to education.

Bill and Marnie's granddaughter Tiffanie was a member of the delivery crew of STS Young Endeavour, a ship gifted by Britain to Australia to commemorate its bicentenary in 1988. Recognising this as a unique, character-building opportunity, the Trust also offers the Young Endeavour Grant, a professional development experience aboard Australia's national sail training ship.

Additionally, the Cowan International Placement Grant opens doors for students to pursue professional experience placements overseas, fostering a global perspective and enriching their academic journey.

Until their passing in 2023, Bob Cowan and his wife Gayle continued championing higher education and managing the Trust, working hard to find areas where their support could make a difference. They both played pivotal roles and their dedication extended beyond familial boundaries, as evidenced by their active involvement in community endeavours and advocacy for philanthropic enhancement nationwide.

Their efforts were recognised by UniSA in 2022 when they were appointed Fellows of the University and by the nation in 2023 when they were both awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia.

The Cowans' regional support is celebrated in the naming of the Bob and Gayle Cowan Auditorium at the UniSA Mount Gambier campus.

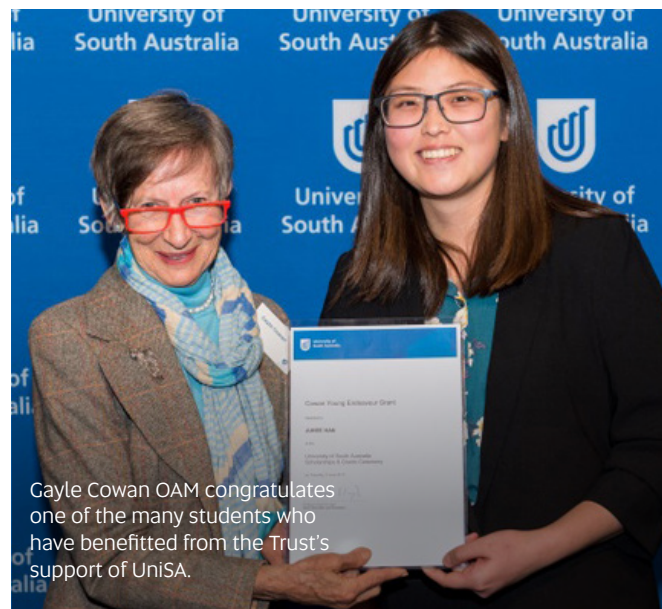
Their three children, Leigh Cowan, Jeremy Cowan and Tiffanie Bulstrode, remain board members of the Trust and continue to follow their parents' and grandparent's vision.



Bob Cowan OAM and Gayle Cowan OAM with their children, Leigh Cowan, Jeremy Cowan and Tiffanie Bulstrode, who remain board members of the Trust.



The Cowans with Provost and Chief Academic Officer Professor Joanne Cys at their induction as Fellows of the University.



Gayle Cowan OAM congratulates one of the many students who have benefitted from the Trust's support of UniSA.

Ways to give

We are delighted to be able to award scholarships and grants to the University of South Australia's deserving students – students with diverse backgrounds and experiences, who share a common aspiration to succeed both academically and in their chosen careers.

The University continues to work with donors to establish new opportunities for students. Donors to the University are recognised in a number of ways including invitations to special events and seminars. Major donors and those leaving a gift in their Will are invited to join the Chancellor's Club.

You can support Scholarships and Grants at UniSA by:

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- providing a gift in your Will



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