

# Educational Access Scheme (EAS)



## FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

This category is for applicants who have experienced financial hardship that has negatively impacted on their education.

### Your Personal Details

QTAC Application Number:

Full Name:

### Your Situation

1. Which one of the following best describes your current family/individual situation?

- Single - living at home and supported financially by family
- Single - living at home and financially independent
- Single - living away from home and supported financially by family
- Single - living away from home and financially independent
- Sole parent/Carer
- Partnered, no dependants
- Partnered, with dependants
- Other – please specify:

2. Indicate the number of dependants (under 18) that you support financially:

If you are not a Centrelink client you must supply documentation of the number of dependants you support  
(For example a copy of current Medicare Card or recent Family Tax Benefit Statement)

3. Indicate the number of dependants (under 18) financially supported by your parents/caregivers/partner:

If your parents/caregivers/partner are not Centrelink clients, then you must supply documentation of the number of dependants that they support  
(For example a copy of current Medicare Card or recent Family Tax Benefit Statement)

4. Are you a Smith Family Learning for Life student?  Yes  No

You must provide a letter from your Learning for Life support worker

5. Do you identify as an Australian South Sea Islander?  Yes  No

### Your Individual Financial Situation

6. Which, if any, of the following Centrelink benefit(s) (full or partial payment) do you personally receive?

- ABSTUDY
- Aged Pension
- Austudy
- Carer's Payment
- Disability Support Pension
- Newstart
- Parenting Payment (single or partnered)
- Family Tax Benefit A
- Youth Allowance
- Other Commonwealth means tested income support (e.g. Veteran's Affairs)
- None of the above
- Other – please specify:

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## Your Individual Financial Situation Continued

**7.** If you receive a Centrelink benefit, please enter your Centrelink Customer Reference Number (CRN):

If you do not supply a CRN, you must provide a recent Centrelink Income Statement (within the last 3 months)

**8.** If you do not receive a Centrelink income support benefit, or if you receive only a partial Centrelink income support benefit, please indicate:

Your annual gross income:

Your annual taxable income:

To document your annual income, you must supply your last Tax Assessment Notice as issued by the Australian Taxation Office.  
Gross annual income is your income before tax is deducted

## Your Family's Financial Situation

For all applicants who are financially dependent on their family and/or living at home

**9.** Which, if any, of the following Centrelink benefit(s) (full or partial payment) do your parents/caregivers/partner receive:

- ABSTUDY
- Aged Pension
- Austudy
- Carer's Payment
- Disability Support Pension
- Newstart
- Parenting Payment (single or partnered)
- Family Tax Benefit A
- Youth Allowance
- Other Commonwealth means tested income support (e.g. Veteran's Affairs)
- None of the above
- Other – please specify:

You must provide a recent Centrelink Income Statement for your parents/caregivers/partner if they receive a Centrelink benefit

**10.** If your parents/caregivers/partner does not receive a Centrelink income support benefit or receives only a partial Centrelink income support benefit please indicate:

Your family's annual gross income:

Your family's annual taxable income:

To document your family's annual income, you must supply a copy of the most recent Tax Assessment Notice for your parents/caregivers/partner

### 11. Personal Statement

You may wish to provide a statement of up to 300 words describing the educational impact of your financial circumstances. For instance, you might indicate whether you have been unable to access educational resources, such as internet access at home. Please note some institutions including the University of Queensland will consider this statement closely as part of your EAS assessment.

- Yes - I am supplying a supporting statement which is attached
- No - I am not supplying a supporting statement

### 12. Educational Support Statement

You must ensure that your education provider completes an *Educational Support Statement*. Please note that only one statement is required regardless of how many categories you nominate.

#### DOCUMENTATION

It is your responsibility to ensure correct documentation is submitted in support of your EAS application  
EAS applications that are not appropriately documented cannot be considered  
For some institutions you may be requested to provide further documentation as proof of income