**Biggins Family Scholarship**

**Information & Application Form**

**Information**

The Biggins Family Scholarship encourages students from South Australian regional high schools to pursue a university education and a UniSA business qualification‚ in the face of financial and other challenges.

The scholarship will assist students from regional locations with the costs of attending university away from home (e.g. relocation expenses‚ accommodation‚ food‚ books‚ computers‚ materials‚ tuition fees and placement costs)‚ allowing them to devote further time to pursue their academic goals and personal development.

To be eligible for the scholarship, applicants must have completed year 12 at a South Australian regional high school in an area classified as Very Remote Australia, Remote Australia or Outer Regional Australia, and intend to relocate to study in Adelaide. To find out the classification of your school, you can search using your school’s postcode in this database: [Check the classification of your school postcode](https://i.unisa.edu.au/siteassets/sas/scholarships/documents/abs-postcodes-manually-updated-2021.xlsx)

Preference may be given to applicants who are required to relocate a considerable distance to attend UniSA in Adelaide.

The offer of the scholarship is subject to admittance into an eligible UniSA business program. If a scholarship holder is not offered or does not accept a place in an eligible program‚ the scholarship will be withdrawn and offered to the next ranked applicant.

**Eligible programs**
The scholarship is available to commencing students from an eligible rural or regional background‚ studying full-time or part-time in any undergraduate UniSA Business program.

**Eligibility and selection criteria**
To be eligible for the scholarship, applicants must:

* be an Australian citizen, permanent resident, or refugee (holder of a permanent humanitarian visa or similar visa for refugees)
* be completing or have completed year 12 and be a prospective commencing student new to tertiary education from a South Australian high school that is classified as Very Remote Australia, Remote Australia, or Outer Regional Australia
* intending to relocate to study in Adelaide
* enrol full-time or part-time in an eligible UniSA undergraduate business program
* be able demonstrate financial and/or educational disadvantage
* submit an application form
* provide a personal written statement addressing the points listed below
* attend an interview (in-person or online)
* Applicants must not have already attended university.

**Eligibility and selection criteria - continued**

Applicants are required to complete an application form and provide a written statement (500-750 words) detailing:

* status as a rural/regional student (home location and details of final year secondary schooling)
* interest in studying a business degree
* future career goals and personal aspirations
* academic achievements (including grades obtained in year 11/12 and most recent report card)
* details of any financial and/or educational disadvantage and the extent to which the scholarship will make tertiary study possible (how the scholarship funds will benefit them)
* previous and current work experience, community involvement and/or extracurricular activities

In determining if a student is eligible for the Biggins Family Scholarship, UniSA will verify the rural/remote or regional area with the Australian Bureau of Statistic's ASGC Remoteness Areas classification.

To be eligible for the Biggins Family Scholarship, you must be graduating from a South Australian high school that is classified as Very Remote Australia, Remote Australia, or Outer Regional Australia

[**Check the classification of your school postcode**](https://i.unisa.edu.au/siteassets/sas/scholarships/documents/abs-postcodes-manually-updated-2021.xlsx)

Recipients will be required to complete an annual written progress report and act as an ambassador for the scholarship (e.g. occasional attendance at events, and/or involvement in filming or interviews to document their journey and the impact of the scholarship).

**How to apply**
Applicants should submit this completed application form and written statement to:
UniSA Scholarship Office

Student and Academic Services
Email: scholarships.prizes@unisa.edu.au

**Value**: up to $55,000

Recipients will receive $25,000 in first year, $15,000 in second year and $15,000 in third year. Pro-rata payments will apply for part-time students.

Recipients are required to remain enrolled in an eligible UniSA business program and maintain a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 4.5 or above.

**For more information:**

Campus Central
Phone: 1300 301 703
Email: askcampuscentral@unisa.edu.au

Confidentiality - all information you provide in this application will be treated as confidential according to University Policy A.46 Confidentiality of Students’ Personal Information. Your personal information can only be released in special circumstances, where the law requires, or where you give permission.

**Application**

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| **Personal Details**  |
| First Name:       |
| Family Name:       |
| Date of Birth:       | Mobile phone number:       |
| Email Address:       |
| Home Address:       |
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| State:       | Postcode:       |
| Please indicate your residential status from the dropdown:  |
| Do you authorise the University of South Australia to disclose your contact information to the donors of this scholarship for the purposes of contacting you directly? | Y [ ]   | N [ ]  |
| Are you or your parent/guardian currently in receipt of a Health Care Card and/or means-tested Centrelink benefit(s) e.g. Abstudy, Austudy, Youth Allowance, etc?  *As part of the application process, you may be asked to provide further details relating to household income to verify financial disadvantage.*  | Y [ ]   | N [ ]  |
| **Study Details**  |
| Do you intend to relocate to Adelaide to commence full-time or part-time undergraduate study at UniSA?  | Y [ ]   | N [ ]  |
| What program do you intend to study at UniSA:       |
| In what year did you complete year 12:       |
| Secondary school name and address:       |
| ATAR score (before adjustment factors) (if known):      ATAR score (including adjustment factors) (if known):       |
| Have you ever studied at a Tertiary or Higher Education Institution?  | Y [ ]  | N [ ]  |
| Have you been offered a place at UniSA and deferred? | Y [ ]  | N [ ]  |
| If yes, what year did you defer:       |
| UniSA Student ID Number (if known):       |

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| **Applicant Declaration**  |
| I declare that the information I have supplied about my personal and study details is true and complete. I acknowledge that should this information be found to be incorrect, any scholarship awarded to me may be withdrawn. I authorise the University of South Australia to confirm my Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR) to support my application.I authorise the University of South Australia to disclose all information contained within my application to the donors of this scholarship (who are external to the University) for the purposes of assessing my application. |
| Signature:        | Date:       |

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| **Checklist** |
| Please ensure you have provided the following: [ ]  Completed application form[ ]  Written Statement (500-750 words)[ ]  Signed the application declaration of this form  |

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Following your submission of your application, you will receive an email acknowledging your submission from the University of South Australia. This may take a few days.

Assessments take place after the closing date of the application period.   During the assessment period, you may be contacted by a UniSA staff member to clarify information that you have provided, or to request further documentation to support your application.

All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application approximately 8 weeks after the closing date.   This will be via an email to the email account that you have provided in your application form.

Shortlisted applicants will be required to attend an interview; applicants who have been shortlisted will receive an email notifying them of the details of the interview, including date, time, location, panel members and what to expect.

Successful applicants will receive an email notifying them of their outcome and outlining the terms and the ongoing conditions of receiving the scholarship.   They will also receive an automated email of offer, which they must accept in order to receive payment of the scholarship.

Unsuccessful applicants will receive an email notifying them of their outcome.