

Regional Disability Scholarship 2023

The University of the South Pacific is now receiving applications from persons with a Disability to study at the University's Laucala Campus or at their Regional campus under the Regional Disability Scholarship Scheme.

Eligibility

Persons with a Disability from any USP member country are eligible to apply provided they are;

- Admitted to a USP Programme and to commence study from Semester 1, 2023
- Be living in Cook Islands, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Samoa, Tokelau, Tuvalu, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Vanuatu and Fiji.
- Be eligible to register for a minimum of 3 courses per semester for Undergraduate programme and 1 course per semester for post-graduate programme.
- Provide a letter from a recognised disability service provider or doctor which clearly states the disability of the applicant.

Criteria

- Applicant must demonstrate academic potential to complete the programme within the scholarship period. Should not be currently under another scholarship at the time of application.
- The Scholarship does not cover self-funding programmes such as, Preliminary Studies, Foundation studies or Pacific TAFE programmes, MBA or PhD Programmes.

Applicant must

- Complete the USP Admission Form available at the Student Administrative Services or may download from www.usp.ac.fj/forms
- Complete and submit the RDS - Supplementary Declaration Form available from www.usp.ac.fj/forms
- Submit an Application Letter detailing your interest in the scholarship.
- Send Completed Admission Application Form and associated requirements by mail to:

The Disability Resource Centre, University of the South Pacific. Private Mail Bag. Suva. Fiji Islands or emailed to disabilitycentre@usp.ac.fj or alfred.anthony@usp.ac.fj

Applications close on 31 October 2022

For further information please email: disabilitycentre@usp.ac.fj or alfred.anthony@usp.ac.fj or call us on tel: (679) 3237182

The scholarship will cover

- Full tuition fees. Continuation will depend on the student obtaining a GPA of 2.5 per semester or better. If students fail a course, they will be put on a probationary period for 1 semester and the cost to repeat that course will not be covered by the scholarship. The student will be counseled accordingly to improve grades.
- Return air travel – payment of a single return, economy class airfare to and from Fiji.
- Contribution to living expenses.
- General health service fee to access the Universities Health facility (paid directly to the University)
- General service fee (paid directly to the university).
- On Campus accommodation (paid directly to the University).
- Establishment allowance (one off payment at the beginning of the scholarship).
- Successful Candidates may be given the option to study from their home campus
 - » The Scholarship may consider providing 'Carer' cost based on the functional assessment of the successful candidate/s that relocate to Laucala Campus.
 - » The scholarship will not cover any undisclosed disability related need.

Supplementary : The University's Disability Resource Centre (DRC) will provide additional support to ensure students' academic success through the provision of sign language interpreters, buddies and mentors. DRC will also make appointments for students to meet their lecturer/tutor to discuss reasonable accommodation during teaching and learning. For more information on DRC you can visit: <https://www.usp.ac.fj/campus/home/disability-resource-centre/>