



**University of New England  
Gordon Williams Scholarship  
Robb College Rugby Union Football Club  
Terms and Conditions**



## **Background**

This scholarship/prize was established and funded in 2011 by Gordon Williams from the sale of scrap steel from the Eastlake farm wool shed fire, and in subsequent years by donations from club members and supporters and fundraising activities carried out the Robb College Rugby Union Football Club (RCRUFC). Gordon Williams has been a member of the Robb College SCR and Rugby Club for many years. During this time, he has been a key member of the coaching and support group for the players and is highly respected and regarded for the role he continues to perform for the students and sports players of Robb College.

The **scholarship application is by invitation only** and the recipient will be announced at the Robb College Sports Dinner in Trimester 2 each year and the scholarship funds paid into the recipient's Robb College residential fee account in Trimester 1 and 2 the following year.

## **Details**

Value per annum:	\$1,000 per annum
Payment Method:	Residential Fee account
Number awarded:	1
To be offered:	Annually
Duration:	1 year
Study Mode:	On campus
Study Load:	Full-time (8 units per academic year – 48 credit points) minimum of 3 units in Trimester 1, 2023)
Course Type:	Undergraduate (Bachelor degree only)
New/Continuing Students:	New, commencing
Residential requirement:	The recipient is required to reside in Robb College for the duration of the scholarship
Application Closing Date:	20 August, 2023

## Who is eligible?

1. The applicant is a current resident and intending to return to live in Robb College for their second year at UNE - see Conditions section of this document for specific living requirements of this scholarship
2. The applicant is registered or is intending to register to play rugby with Robb College Rugby Union Club (RCRUFC) or is involved as a coach/sports administrator
3. Application for this scholarship is by invitation only.

## Selection Criteria (in Order of Importance)

The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of:

Playing experience/sports administrator resume and playing references

Then

Academic results

### Notes

1. Preference may be given to applicants not in receipt of another scholarship.
2. The scholarship shall be awarded on the recommendation of the RCFUFC President, 1<sup>st</sup> grade coach and Head of College (or their nominees) and administered by the UNE Alumni Relations and Student Scholarships team.
3. The Selection Committee's decision is final.

## Supporting Documents/ Required Information

1. The listed documents are acceptable forms of evidence in each of the following criteria:
  - a. Playing experience resume
  - b. Personal reference
  - c. Reference from a relevant person associated with RCRUFC
  - d. Academic transcript from previous trimester

## Conditions

### General Conditions

1. Undergraduate scholarship holders may not hold more than one UNE scholarship (excluding the Betty Fyffe Scholarship) if the combined value is greater than six thousand dollars (\$6,000) per annum.
2. The scholarship is intended for the nominated course and may not be deferred or

transferred.

3. If you wish to make any significant changes to your enrolment (e.g. change of degree, study mode or load) you must notify the Head of College and the UNE Alumni Relations and Student Scholarships team prior to doing so. If you no longer satisfy the criteria and conditions of the scholarship you may not retain it.
4. The scholarship is payable into the recipient's residential fee account in two instalments of \$500 within 30 days following the Trimester 1 and 2 or 3 census dates.

#### Notes

1. Full-time is defined at UNE as an enrolment of 8 units (48 credit points) in the academic year.
2. If this presents a problem the recipient must liaise with the Head of College and the Alumni Relations and Student Scholarships team to discuss their specific situation.

5. Continuation of the scholarship, if applicable, is subject to:
  - a. Achieving a Trimester GPA of at least 4.0. For continuing students, results for Trimester 2 and 3 will be combined for the purpose of calculating eligibility for continuation of the scholarship in Trimester 1 in the second and subsequent years.
  - b. The student continuing to maintain eligibility in relation to their enrolment status (e.g. full or part-time, on campus or online) as stipulated by the Scholarship terms. For on campus scholarships, students must be enrolled in all on campus subjects, not just registered in ON mode. Students unsure about this should contact the UNE Alumni Relations and Student Scholarships team to discuss their situation.
  - c. Full-time students are expected to complete their course in the minimum period of candidature.
  - d. Submission of a brief Trimester report upon request each year reporting on progress with their studies and involvement in sporting, cultural and community activities as well as participation in University life, where applicable.
  - e. Demonstration of appropriate sporting behavior, i.e. the recipient should not bring the game into disrepute.
  - f. Maintain current player status with RCRUFC, or, if injured, attend training and games if medically fit, and provide assistance to coaches as required.
6. Any request to vary the conditions of the scholarship must be made in writing to the Head of College and the Alumni Relations and Student Scholarships team and will be determined at their discretion (after consultation with other relevant

committees).

7. If at any time during the scholarship term the student is found to have committed behavioural misconduct which results in a major penalty in accordance with the University's [Student Behavioural Misconduct Rules](#), or the [Residential College Code of Conduct](#) the scholarship will be terminated and any outstanding payments to be made under the scholarship will not be paid. You may also be required to repay any instalment already received.
8. The student may be required to attend the annual scholarships donor event if they are invited to do so, and may be asked to participate in activities to promote this scholarship and other scholarships in general, including public speaking, donor liaison, media interviews and photographs.
9. Some scholarships may affect other government payments. It is the recipient's responsibility to seek advice from the relevant government agency.
10. From time to time minor changes may be required to the administrative conditions of this scholarship. If this occurs recipients will be given advance notice in writing. Donors will also be consulted where appropriate.
11. Failure to meet the requirements of these Terms and Conditions may lead to the termination of the scholarship and you being required to repay any instalment already received.

### Scholarship Specific Conditions

1. The recipient is required to reside in Robb College at UNE for the duration of the scholarship.

### Acceptance

In accepting the **Gordon Williams Scholarship**, the recipient acknowledges that they have read, understand and accept the Terms and Conditions specified above.

**Please note** that this Terms and Conditions document must be signed and returned **IN FULL** no later than five (5) days from the date of offer email. You may contact the Alumni Relations and Student Scholarships team if you need an extension to this deadline.

Scholarship Name:	<b>Gordon Williams Scholarship</b>
Student Name:	
Student number:	
Signature:	
Date:	

Office Use Only:  
Funding Source:  
UNEF Account Name:  
To be offered:

Other UNEF account  
FL 1248 Robb College Foundation Scholarships  
Annually

## Administrator Notes

1. Commencing 2022 this scholarship is to be administered by the RCRUFC in conjunction with the Robb College Foundation Association and awarded by the selection committee as outlined above.
2. It will remain a Donor-funded scholarship by the RCRUFC via the RCFA each year until a sufficient corpus of endowed funds is raised within the RCFA Scholarship funds held in the UNE Foundation Trust account. This will enable tax-deductible donations to be raised by the Club and the RCFA from Alumni and friends of the Club and College.
3. Individual Tax receipts will be issued by the UNE Foundation. The funds in trust remain covered by the Donor Agreement 2014 established by the RCFA with the UNE and UNEF which ensures those funds can only be used for the benefit of residents of Robb College.
4. The required total annual donor-scholarship amount is payable by the RCRUFC directly into the Robb College Foundation Scholarship account held within the UNEF Trust funds in one installment by the end of December each year. (Contact the RCFA Treasurer or Chair).