Employ SA Archbishop’s Scholarship

Purpose

The purpose of the Employ SA Archbishop’s Scholarship is to encourage young people facing financial barriers to undertake studies at St Patrick’s Technical College by offering financial assistance and ongoing non-financial support in transitioning from education to employment through trade training and an Australian School-based Apprenticeship.

Closing date for applications

- 31 October in the year prior to entry

Amount and type of scholarship

- One scholarship is awarded on an annual basis.
- The scholarship covers the full amount of the Year 11 and Year 12 tuition fees.
- The scholarship does not include the Resource Fee or costs associated with College Uniform.

Tenure

- Two years (Year 11 & 12 / SACE Stages 1 & 2)

Application requirements

- St Patrick’s Technical College Application for Enrolment.
- Letter requesting consideration for the Employ SA Archbishop’s Scholarship including information regarding financial hardship (e.g. School Card eligibility notification).
- Written recommendation from a school principal and/or an independent referee (e.g. Parish Priest). Recommendations should:
  - Confirm that the applicant would have no realistic opportunity for education at St Patrick’s Technical College without this scholarship because of financial barriers.
  - Show how the applicant’s personal attributes match those listed in the Scholarship Criteria.
  - Indicate whether the referee thinks that the applicant has the determination and ability to succeed in their chosen trade area.
  - Provide any other relevant information.
Scholarship criteria

- The **Employ SA Archbishop's Scholarship** is open to students who have no realistic opportunity to study at St Patrick's Technical College without the scholarship.
- Scholarship applicants must:
  - Be Australian citizens or permanent residents.
  - Be currently attending school on a full-time basis.
  - Be able to demonstrate that they have the desire, determination and ability to succeed in their chosen trade area.
  - Meet the applicable St Patrick’s Technical College entry requirements.
- Although not exclusive, preference will be given to residents of the Northern Adelaide or Barossa, Light and Lower North SA Government Regions.

Selection

- Applications will be assessed by the College Principal in consultation with the College Leadership Team.
- Applicants will be shortlisted by the Principal and those shortlisted will be required to attend an interview subsequent to their standard enrolment interview.
- In assessing applicants' suitability for this scholarship, particular attention should be paid to assessing the individual’s' likelihood of attaining a School-based Apprenticeship in their second year of study.
- Advice on the Scholarship recipient will be provided to the Archbishop of Adelaide.

Conditions of Acceptance

- The scholarship recipient must meet the standard entry requirements for their selected trade course at St Patrick’s Technical College.
- The scholarship recipient may hold additional non-tuition fees-based scholarships or be eligible for other financial assistance not provided by the College.
- The Scholarship must be taken up for the year it is awarded.