

2025 The Boar Group Study Support Bursary



The Boar Group Study Support Bursary assists students from low socio-economic backgrounds, with a preference for students who must work to support their studies.

We are pleased to introduce the 2025 recipient of the bursary and thank you for your support and partnership in creating opportunity through education.



Abbey Fearnley

Bachelor of Nursing Science

Thank you for your generosity and support in my studies of Bachelor of Nursing Science. As a single mum who works fulltime and studies fulltime life can get quite hectic, and having extra support provides in being able to continue what I do. I am lucky to already be working in the healthcare system in Aged Care and have been doing this role for the past five years as an Assistant in Nursing. My job has its moments, but I thoroughly enjoy what I do which is why I decided to go further and start my bachelor's degree three years ago.

I've learnt that it takes a great support system to be able to do what I do. I am very lucky to be surrounded by supportive people who want to see me succeed as well as finding supportive people within my classes, knowing that we are all going through this journey together.

This bursary will help me get through my fourth placement, while having to take the time off work. For that I am very thankful as it can be a very stressful time for us as students to have to take time off work to go on placement as well as juggling family life. It is because of the donors of the University of the Sunshine Coast that I and the other lucky students who receive bursaries can do placements.

Again, thank you for your support and ongoing support of future students in this program.

Kind regards,

Abbey Fearnley

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Jennifer Walker

Bachelor of Social Work

I would like to thank you on behalf of myself and those also struggling while studying at UniSC.

I am currently studying a Bachelor of Social Work and I am aiming to go into the field of Child Protection once I graduate. My studies have been impactful and rewarding and I am excited to go into the field of Child Safety as this is my passion for my career. Social workers make an impactful difference for those who need the support and resources but do not have access to them, so I want to do my best during my degree to contribute to the change that the world needs.

I really appreciate you giving me this opportunity and supporting me financially during my studies and placement in the upcoming semester. I always seem to struggle financially during studies as having a mental health condition myself, and trying my best to work and study at the same time, can be exhausting and stressful. Undertaking placement this semester, where I am limited to not working, was a major cause of stress and was affecting my health as I was concerned about how I would afford my studies.

This bursary has provided me with extra security and safety, knowing I have some support during this time, in which gave me a sense of relief. Knowing I am supported makes me thankful and again, I really appreciate this opportunity.

Thank you so much.

Jennifer Walker