

STAFF GIVING

*Helping students facing hardship
continue their studies.*

The Staff Giving program at Griffith allows staff to make a fortnightly payroll deduction pre-tax, to provide students in need with crucial financial support.

Giving a little bit each fortnight through Payroll, when combined with other staff members, brings more than just financial support. It brings hope that disadvantaged students can finish their degree, the belief that they can keep going and overwhelming gratitude for those that helped them on their education journey.

Will you give a little bit and join us?

You can give through payroll deduction

- No minimum amount to join
- University matches dollar for dollar
- Pre-tax deduction
- 100% goes directly to the students
- Make changes at any time

Join at
griffith.edu.au/staffgiving

**STAFF
GIVING**

**STUDENTS'
FUTURE
FUND**

Your support. Their future.



Student impact stories

Melissa's story

“Words cannot describe how thankful I am for my scholarship. It allows me to study as much as I can, despite huge constraints on my time to care for my mother and father, who have many health issues.”

Melissa Bansraj

Bachelor of Laws (Hons) / Bachelor of Government and International Relations



Melissa started her degree four years ago and hasn't looked back.

Melissa was the first person in her family to attend university and has

sometimes struggled with the demands on her plate and the financial pressures of being a student, while caring for her parents at home. A Students' Future Fund scholarship helped Melissa to stay motivated despite these challenges.

“My mother has a severe disability and my father has been suffering from various health problems. A lot of my time is spent looking after my parents, both in and out of hospitals, which poses a challenge for me as I do not get much time to study.”

When Melissa graduates she hopes to become a criminal defence lawyer, with the ultimate goal of becoming a barrister specialising in criminal law.

“It's amazing there are people out there willing to support students on their journey to get an education at Griffith.”

Christopher's story

“It's hard moving away from the support of friends and family. I don't have anyone here to fall back on.

I was working at least 20 to 30 hours a week at KFC to cover my living expenses, which made it hard for me to study as much as I needed to.

Receiving a scholarship means I don't have to worry about how I'm going to pay for things like textbooks, or bills or keeping a roof over my head.”

Christopher Hunter

Bachelor of Biomedical Science



The Students' Future Fund scholarship helped relieve some of the stress on Chris and allowed him to cut back on work to focus on his studies.

With more time to focus, Chris hopes to get into the honours program and secure a placement at a research institute. His main passion is the field of immunology, particularly infectious disease and cancer research.

“I've always been interested in how diseases work and to be able to explain that simply to others. Studying science at high school made me curious as to how diseases work. My family has a history of genetic disease, which is why I became interested in studying a biomedical science degree,” he said.

“The students who receive this scholarship are the future of the country. I want to become a researcher to help others, and the people who support this scholarship are helping me to do that,” he said.

“They don't have to donate their hard-earned money, but they do, and I want them to know they are really making a difference. It really takes the pressure off and is helping me be the best that I can be.”

Read Melissa's and Christopher's full stories at griffith.edu.au/staffgiving

Our Staff Giving donors



“Our students are the heart and soul of our university and seeing them so determined to succeed no matter what is nothing short of amazing. Knowing the small act of giving is making a huge difference in easing their way to success is a real privilege.”

Mr Donald Jeffrey
Library Service Management Officer



“Becoming a Staff Giver allows you to join a community of giving and generosity at Griffith. And our students are incredibly grateful for that giving and generosity.”

Associate Professor Kevin Filo
Department of Tourism, Sport and Hotel Management

 **10 staff** contributing 


\$10
per fortnight


for 1 year


matched
by the University


provides
1 Griffith Futures Scholarship

TOGETHER, STAFF MAKE AN IMPACT

A \$5,000 Scholarship is established when for one year and matched by the University:

10 staff members contribute **\$10** per fortnight.

20 staff members contribute **\$5** per fortnight.

40 staff members contribute **\$2.50** per fortnight.

“I believe no one should be disadvantaged due to lack of funding. Education is not only a gateway to a career but to a happy society and takes away the anxiety not only from the students but provides positivity to their whole family.”

Associate Professor Indu Singh
Program Director - BmedLabSci



“I am passionate about Staff Giving and encourage my other colleagues to reach out and help to whatever extent they can.”

“Academically excellent and with a very positive outlook – ever smiling students brought tears to my eyes when I heard about the circumstances they have been dealing with while supporting their families living in a remote area. They were at the verge of dropping out of university when they received the support from this program. Over the next 3 years I saw them excelling and contributing to the society in their own way while raising their younger siblings.”

Read more Staff Giving stories at griffith.edu.au/staffgiving



“I’m so grateful for my scholarship and the impact it has had on my life. Every day I strive to show myself as having been a worthy recipient.”

GIVING A LITTLE BIT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

When it comes to Staff Giving at Griffith, it is participation, not gift size that is important.

There is no minimum amount to participate in the program and you can make changes at any time. Every dollar makes a difference, as when combined with other staff members, will create an impact.

Give with confidence



Griffith University matches your contribution **dollar for dollar**.



100% of your contributions goes directly to students as the University absorbs all administration costs.



Your contribution is deducted from your fortnightly pay using your **pre-tax salary**, so there’s nothing to do at tax time.

“It was a no brainer to join the program. You can give as little or as much as you want. Even a couple of dollars a week makes an impact to the students.”

Mrs Rebecca Seymour
Staff Giving Donor

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