

# Graduate Employment Scholarships 2009

*Applications close 13 March 2009*

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## Are you a final year preservice teacher and looking to secure employment as an Industrial Technology and Design, Mathematics B & C, Chemistry or Physics teacher?

The Department of Education, Training and the Arts (DETA) is offering Graduate Employment Scholarships to high achieving preservice teachers in **Industrial Technology and Design (ITD), Mathematics B and C, Chemistry and Physics** curriculum areas during their final year of their preservice teacher education program.

On successful completion of their studies scholarship recipients will gain permanent employment with DETA.

## Scholarship Support

DETA will provide Graduate Employment Scholarship recipients with a range of support, including financial support.

### Financial Support

Each Scholarship Recipient will receive financial assistance in the final year of their preservice teacher education program as follows:

<b>Curriculum Area</b>	<b>Graduate Employment (Rural, Remote and Regional) Scholarship</b>	<b>Graduate Employment Scholarship</b>
Industrial Technology and Design	\$ 10 000	\$ 5 000
Maths B and C	\$ 10 000	\$ 5 000
Chemistry	\$ 10 000	\$ 5 000
Physics	\$ 10 000	\$ 5 000

Recipients will be able to use these funds at their own discretion, however it is intended that it will assist them with expenses associated with their studies. In addition to the financial support, DETA will offer a range of support measures to assist scholarship recipients during their studies and transition to employment.

## Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for a DETA Graduate Employment or Graduate Employment (Rural, Remote and Regional) Scholarship applicants must:

- Be completing the final year of a secondary preservice teacher education qualification in Industrial Technology and Design (ITD), Mathematics B and C, Chemistry and/or Physics, through a recognised Australian higher education institution in 2009;
- Have successfully completed all necessary professional experience and academic requirements to date;
- Be achieving high academic and professional experience results;
- Be eligible for employment as a teacher from the commencement of semester 1, 2010;
- Be eligible for registration as a teacher in Queensland with the Queensland College of Teachers (QCT) upon completion of the preservice teacher education program;
- Be willing to commit to DETA for a minimum service commitment of two years;
- Be an Australian citizen or have permanent residency status; and
- Be able to meet DETA employment suitability requirements upon completion of the secondary preservice teacher education qualification.

## Graduate Employment (Rural, Remote and Regional) Scholarship

Applicants for the Graduate Employment (Rural Remote and Regional) Scholarship must be willing to accept a permanent full-time teaching appointment in a Queensland state school in a rural, remote or regional location for a minimum service commitment of two years, after graduation.

## Graduate Employment Scholarship

Applicants for the Graduate Scholarship must be willing to accept a permanent full-time teaching appointment in a Queensland state school for a minimum service commitment of two years after graduation.

## Rural, Remote and Regional Locations

There are over 1300 state schools in Queensland, many of which are in rural, remote and regional locations. These settings provide beginning teachers with a supportive school community to commence their teaching careers.

Teachers employed in designated rural, remote and regional schools have access to additional incentives including relocation assistance, locality allowances and additional cash benefits.

Teachers appointed to schools in identified remote areas will be eligible for incentives under the Remote Area Incentive Scheme (RAIS).

## Application Process

All applicants for DETA Graduate Employment Scholarships must complete the Graduate Employment Scholarship Application Form and submit the following:

- Evidence of their identity (ie. full birth certificate, current drivers licence, Australian Passport or Document of Identity)
- Academic record for preservice teacher education program (to date)
- Applicant's supporting statement/s
- Professional Experience reports
- Contact details for two referees
- Curriculum Vitae

The DETA Graduate Employment Scholarship applications closing date has been extended to **Friday 13 March 2009**.

Applicants must ensure that all required documentation is provided. Failure to submit all documentation may result in the application not being considered.

## Selection Process

After the closing date for receipt of applications, short-listing will be undertaken by the department.

Scholarships will be offered on a merit selection basis determined through the written application and interview process, where applicable.

## Scholarship Offers

Offers will be made in writing; however recipients may be notified of the outcome of their application by telephone or email prior to receiving the written notification.

Offers are subject to the recipient providing confirmation of enrolment in the preservice teacher education program during 2009. Acceptance of offers cannot be deferred.

## Employment with DETA

During the final semester, scholarship recipients will be required to undertake the DETA employment suitability process.

Confirmation of employment as a teacher in a Queensland state school will require recipients to:

- Successfully complete all requirements of the preservice teacher education program;
- Obtain teacher registration with the Queensland College of Teachers; and
- Meet DETA employment suitability requirements.

Graduate Employment Scholarship recipients will be appointed to a state school for the minimum service commitment (two years) at the discretion of DETA and in response to identified vacancies.

**Further information and the Scholarships applications form are available at:**

<http://education.qld.gov.au/students/grants/scholarships/graduate-employment-scholarships-2009.html>

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