

2024 Saputo Scholarship Program - Information Sheet

Background

We recognise the impact of our contribution in building relationships with key stakeholders and developing the future leaders of our industry. To further support a sustainable and prosperous future for the dairy industry within Australia, we have established the Saputo Scholarship Program to help contribute to the cost of higher education for our farmer suppliers and their children.

Scholarship Awards

Each year, Saputo will award eight (8) scholarships up to the amount of \$5,000 each (AUD). Candidates may apply each year of eligibility, however may only receive the scholarship once.

The scholarship is intended to support study-related expenses such as accommodation costs, course costs, study materials and equipment, textbooks or tutoring.

Eligibility

Applications are invited from those who are:

- Current farmer suppliers and their children.
- Enrolled or planning to enrol in an eligible course of study at an accredited higher education establishment within Australia, with the intention of pursuing a career through your chosen course that will directly benefit the dairy industry. Eligibility of courses will be determined by Saputo Dairy Australia on a case-by-case basis in its sole discretion. Preference is given to candidates studying in the fields of Agriculture, Animal Health and Handling, Veterinarian Science, Food Science, Nutrition, Commerce, Management or Communications.
- Enrolled or planning to enrol in the 2024 academic year.

Evaluation and Selection

Applications will be assessed and shortlisted based on the following criteria:

- Field of study and its potential to make a positive impact to the Australian dairy industry.
- Academic achievement and awards.
- School and community engagement.
- Aspirations.
- Recommendations and referrals.

Application process

Applicants must complete the required forms, provide supporting documents and submit their application via email as a single PDF document to <u>supplier.scholarship@saputo.com</u> by 5pm on 11 February 2024. Materials received after the deadline will not be accepted or included in an existing application. A response will be provided to confirm we have received an application.

Shortlisted applicants will need to make themselves available for a telephone interview with the selection committee late February 2024. All applicants will receive a decision letter by late February 2024.

Documents

Materials received by Saputo will become the sole property of Saputo Dairy Australia and cannot be returned. Supporting documents should only be submitted by way of email in accordance with the above instructions – no original documents should be provided to Saputo Dairy Australia.

Payment of Scholarships

Recipients will be awarded up to \$5,000 over 1 or 2 instalments.

The first instalment will be paid upon confirmation of the scholarship being awarded once proof of enrolment has been provided. The second instalment (if applicable) will be paid upon receipt of proof of successful completion of semester 1 studies and enrolment in semester 2 studies.



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The recipient must be a current SDA supplier or the child of a current SDA supplier at the time of payment of each instalment. If your or your parent's supplier relationship with Saputo Dairy Australia materially changes, you may be ineligible to receive one or both instalments. Please refer to the Terms and Conditions for further information about eligibility and the circumstances in which your scholarship may be withdrawn.

Terms and Conditions

The scholarship program is subject to the Terms and Conditions. Applicants wishing to apply for the program will be subject to and must comply with these Terms and Conditions. To the extent of any conflict between the information contained in this Information Sheet and the Terms and Conditions, the Terms and Conditions shall take priority.