**The University of the South Pacific**

***Regional Disability Scholarship 2020 – Apply NOW!***

The University of the South Pacific is now receiving applications from Students with Disability to study at the University’s Laucala Campus under the Regional Disability Scholarship Scheme.

**Eligibility:**

Any Student with Disability from any USP member country is eligible to apply provided he or she;

* Satisfies the USP Admission and Programme Requirements.
* Admitted to a USP Programme from Semester 1, 2020.
* Be living in Cook Islands, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, Samoa, Tokelau, Tuvalu, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Vanuatu and other parts of Fiji except Suva.
* Be eligible to register for a minimum of 3 courses per semester for Undergraduate programme and 1 course per semester for post-graduate programme.
* Provide a letter from a recognized disability service provider or doctor which clearly states the disability of the applicant.

**Criteria:**

* Applicant must demonstrate academic potential to complete the programme within the scholarship period. Should not be currently under anther scholarship at the time of application.
* The Scholarship does not cover self-funding programmes such as, Preliminary Studies, Foundation studies or Pacific TAFE programmes, MBA or PhD Programmes.

**Prioritization:**

The University reserves the right to prioritize scholarships depending on available University Facilities.

**Applicant must:**

* Complete the ***USP Admission Form*** available at the Student Administrative Services or may download from **www.usp.ac.fj/forms**.

 Complete the ***RDS - Supplementary Declaration Form*** available from **www.usp.ac.fj/forms**.

 Submit an ***Application Letter*** detailing your interest in the scholarship,

 Send Completed Admission Application Form and associated requirementsby mail to:

 The Disability Resource Centre, University of the South Pacific. Private Mail Bag. Suva. Fiji Islands or emailed to **disabilitycentre@usp.ac.fj** or **qeleni\_m@usp.ac.fj**

**Applications close on 31 October 2019.**

For further information pleaseemail **disabilitycentre@usp.ac.fj** or call us on

(679) 332 37182 / (679) 332 31832

**The scholarship will cover:**

* Full tuition fees. Continuation will depend on the student obtaining a GPA of 2.5 per semester or better. If students fail a course, they will be put on a probationary period for 1 semester and the cost to repeat that course will not be covered by the scholarship. The student will be counseled accordingly to improve grades.
* Return air travel – payment of a single return, economy class airfare to and from Fiji.
* Contribution to living expenses
* General health service fee to access the Universities Health facility (paid directly to the University)
* General service fee( paid directly to the university)
* On Campus accommodation (paid directly to the University)
* Establishment allowance (one of payment at the beginning of the scholarship)
* ***The scholarship does not cover the ‘Carer’ costs. However, buddies will help students access the University facility during study hours***

***Supplementary:*** The University’s Disability Resource Centre (DRC) will provide additional support to ensure students’ academic success through the provision of sign language interpreters, buddies and mentors. DRC will also make appointments for students to meet their lecturer/tutor to discuss reasonable accommodation during teaching and learning. For more information on DRC you can visit ***http://www.usp.ac.fj/campuslife/drc***