**UQ FEAST Scholarships**

The University of Queensland’s Faculty of Science proudly supports the DAF Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition by offering two UQ FEAST Scholarships to students in years 11 and 12 (valued at $700 each). Future Experiences in Agriculture, Science and Technology (FEAST) is a four-day residential program, held each June/July at the UQ Gatton Campus, to inspire students about rewarding science careers in the agriculture, animal, plant and food industries.

**Applications close on Friday, 21 June 2024**

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

* Students must be in years 11 or 12, or at least 16 years of age at the commencement of the UQ FEAST program in June/July 2025 (exact camp dates to be advised).
* Students must (1) be a prize winner or participant in the ‘Plant Science Project Awards’ section of the current DAF Hermitage Schools Plant Science Competition, and (2) complete and submit this application form by the competition closing date.
* Students must be available to attend the UQ FEAST camp in 2025 (during the first week of the June/July Queensland school holidays).
For more information and updates visit: <https://science.uq.edu.au/event/feast>

## PRIZE CONDITIONS

* This Scholarship prize covers costs for 3 nights’ accommodation, all meals throughout the program and all program activities and tours.
* Travel arrangements to and from UQ’s FEAST event (held at the UQ Gatton Campus, Queensland) are at the winner’s expense.
* Any specialist clothing or equipment required to attend the camp’s events are at the winner’s expense.
* Enrolment and attendance are as per UQ FEAST guidelines.
* Scholarship winners are required to provide written feedback (and photos if possible) to the Schools Plant Science Competition Coordinator, regarding their experience, within one month of returning from the UQ FEAST camp.
* If possible, please attach a letter of recommendation (from a teacher/mentor) to support this application.
* Successful students will be notified via email in late July and will be publicly announced during the competition’s annual ‘Awards Day & Ag Science Expo’.
* This prize is not transferable or redeemable for cash.

## UQ FEAST Scholarship application form

[ ]  I have parental permission to attend [**UQ** **FEAST**](https://science.uq.edu.au/event/feast) during the June/July Queensland school holidays in 2025, at the UQ Gatton Campus, Queensland.

Applicant (student) details:

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| **STUDENT’S NAME:** |  |
| **EMAIL ADDRESS:** |  |
| **CONTACT PHONE:** |  |
| **SCHOOL NAME:** |  |
| **CURRENT YEAR LEVEL:** |  |
| **AGE (as of June 2025):** |  |
| **PARENT/GUARDIAN’S NAME:** |  |
| **PARENT/GUARDIAN’S EMAIL/PHONE:** |  |
| **PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE:** |  |

Applicant (student) please answer the following questions (please attach a separate page if you need more space).

***In your opinion, why is agriculture important to Australia’s future?***

***What do you see as a possible future role for you in the rural/agricultural science sector?***

***Why interests you about the UQ FEAST camp?***

***What do you hope to learn from attending the UQ FEAST camp?***

[ ]  A signed letter of recommendation from the applicant’s teacher/mentor is attached to support this application.

**Privacy statement**

To manage our Hermitage Research Facility Schools Plant Science Competition awards program, the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries collects your:

* Name
* Email address
* Telephone number
* Age and/or current year level
* School name and/or teacher’s name and contact information
* Written feedback (and photographs) submitted, as a requirement of the award acceptance
* Opinions and career aspirations
* Parent or guardian’s name, email address, telephone number and signature

We collect this information to communicate with you and your parent or guardian in order to organise and manage this Award being offered as part of the Hermitage Research Facility Schools Plant Science Competition (competitions).

Your information may be shared where necessary with Queensland Government staff, competition sponsors and assessors of applications.

You may be invited to participate in publicity (social media; media; etc) to promote the competition. Your participation would be voluntary.

We will only use your information for necessary purposes which are directly related to the competition. Your personal information will not otherwise be used or disclosed unless authorised or required by law. For additional privacy information go to <https://www.daf.qld.gov.au/site-information/privacy>.