



Collaborative Agreement

between

Queensland University of Technology

and

Fundación Guatefuturo

Queensland University of Technology (CRICOS NO. 00213J | ABN 83 791 724 622) and Fundación Guatefuturo both have an interest in strengthening bilateral cooperation in the field of education between Guatemala and Australia and enhancing the links between Queensland University of Technology and its academic counterparts in Guatemala. An important means of fostering such cooperation and links is the provision of loan-scholarship opportunities to talented Guatemalan students wishing to pursue graduate degree programs at Queensland University of Technology. The purpose of this agreement is to provide shared financing for Guatemalan students at Queensland University of Technology, within the framework of a joint graduate loan-scholarship program.

The joint graduate loan-scholarship program will operate as follows:

- Students in Guatemala interested in the program will seek their admission, following the normal application procedures, and meeting all the standard admission requirements established by Queensland University of Technology, including all English language requirements.
- Students unconditionally accepted by Queensland University of Technology will submit a loan-scholarship application to Guatefuturo, following the normal application procedures, and meeting all the standard requirements established by Guatefuturo.
- Students who are offered a place for full-time study at Queensland University of Technology, and who are selected for a loan-scholarship by Guatefuturo, will then be eligible for shared financing under this agreement.
- 4. To recognise high academic achievers applying to Queensland University of Technology postgraduate coursework, QUT shall offer a partial tuition fee scholarship equivalent to 25% of the applicable published semester fees to selected students. Conditions apply. Refer to Annex I.
- Guatefuturo will provide the remainder of the tuition and fees, as well as a stipend for living expenses, according to its established norms, i.e. up to US\$25,000 per year for a maximum of two years. Students will have to

provide from other sources any further amount required to meet the full costs of their program of study.

- 6. Each institution will designate a named coordinator to implement and monitor the program. In particular, named coordinators will be responsible for ensuring:
 - a) That Queensland University of Technology provides Guatefuturo with all relevant promotional material and prospectuses to encourage interest in its programs in Guatemala.
 - b) That Queensland University of Technology provides all Guatemalan students unconditionally accepted in Queensland University of Technology with information about the loan-scholarship program and encourages them to contact and submit an application to Guatefuturo.
 - That Guatefuturo forwards details of the selected students to Queensland University of Technology.
 - d) That the necessary financial arrangements are made for confirmed students.

The named coordinators are:

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7. Both institutions will publicize the agreement to prospective Guatemalan graduate students.

This agreement shall remain in force from the date of signature by the undersigned representatives of each party and will be in effect until 31 December 2027. This agreement may be reviewed or renegotiated at the request of either party. Either party may terminate the agreement on thirty days written notice to the other party.

Professor Scott Sheppard
Deputy Vice-Chancellor and
Vice-President (International and

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Queensland University of Technology

Date: March 2023

Juan José Ramírez Ochoa Executive Director

February /22 nd./2023

Guatefuturo

Date

Annex I ELIGIBILITY FOR QUT ACADEMIC MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

The QUT academic merit scholarship will automatically be awarded to applicants who hold a recognised bachelor degree with a minimum grade point average of 9 on a 10 point scale (where 7 is a pass).

The academic merit scholarship will provide a tuition fee waiver, equivalent to 25% of the applicable semester published fees. It will initially be applied to two (2) semesters as per the following link: https://www.qut.edu.au/study/fees-and-scholarships/international-merit-scholarship

An ongoing tuition fee scholarship, equivalent to 25% of the applicable semester published fees, will be applied as long as the student maintains a grade point average of 5.5 on a 7.0 scale for each semester of study.