

Student Accommodation

The Commonwealth Department of Health and Aged Care, together with Edith Cowan University, understand the financial burden of your clinical placement, particularly in rural and remote Australia.

For clinical students undertaking their placement in the South West region, financial and accommodation support is available. Students with confirmed placements are referred to the UDRH SW by their university Clinical Coordinators.

ECU Students

ECU SW regional students

For ECU students residing in the South West and traveling to/from over 100 kms (return) each day for their placement, a single bursary payment is offered, dependent on the length of time of the clinical placement and kilometers travelled.

ECU Metropolitan students

For ECU students who live more than 120 kilometers from their South West placement location, there are specific support options available:

Single Payment: Students are offered a single bursary payment, the amount of which depends on the duration of the clinical placement.

Accommodation Support

If the placement is in Bunbury, accommodation is provided through ECU Campus Living Village. For placements outside Bunbury, students receive a financial contribution to assist with accommodation costs.

The following Terms & Conditions apply to this bursary.

- The recipient must meet the eligibility requirements in these terms and conditions at the time of the payment/receipt of the bursary.
- The recipient must be enrolled at Edith Cowan University. Note: partner institution enrolled students are not eligible for this payment.
- The recipient must be on clinical placement in the Western Australia South-West region via the UDRH program.
- The recipient undertaking a clinical placement is in a location 120 kms (one way) or more from their semester address and requires overnight accommodation as living away from home, and on clinical placement for a minimum of 2 weeks. Kilometer estimates can be sourced from Google maps. If there is any difficulty estimating kilometers, please contact UDRH staff for further guidance.
- Length of clinical placement is based on subject requirements and does not include make up days.

- The recipient must ensure that their semester address and bank details are current in SIMO.
- The bursary must be repaid if the recipient becomes ineligible or does not fulfill the terms of the clinical placement.
- Payment of the bursary cannot be deferred.
- The recipient must not have received any other placement related funding support from the University in the current academic year.
- The recipient must comply with all applicable requirements under ECU's statutes, rules, by-laws, policies, procedures, or other similar instruments, and with all applicable visa requirements.
- The recipient must notify ECU of any change of circumstances that may affect their eligibility to receive the bursary.

Partner Institution

Students (all WA Universities)

For students from partner institutions who live more than 120 kilometers from their South West placement location, there are specific support options available.

Single Payment

Students are offered a single payment, the amount of which depends on the duration of the clinical placement.

Accommodation Support

If the placement is in Bunbury, accommodation is provided through ECU Campus Living Village. For placements outside Bunbury, students receive a financial contribution to assist with accommodation costs.

The following Terms & Conditions apply to this clinical placement support.

- The recipient must meet the eligibility requirements in these terms and conditions at the time of the payment/receipt of clinical placement support payment.
- The recipient must be currently enrolled at a partner institution of Edith Cowan University. • The recipient must be on clinical placement in the Western Australia South-West region via the UDRH program.
- The recipient undertaking a clinical placement is in a location 120 kms (one way) or more from their semester address and requires overnight accommodation as living away from home, and on clinical placement for a minimum of 2 weeks. Kilometer estimates can be sourced from Google maps. If there is any difficulty estimating kilometers, please contact UDRH staff for further guidance.
- Length of clinical placement is based on subject requirements and does not include make up days.

- The recipient must ensure that their semester address and bank details correct and current.
- The clinical placement support payment must be repaid if the recipient becomes ineligible or does not fulfill the terms of the clinical placement.
- Payment of the clinical placement support cannot be deferred.
- The recipient must not have received any other clinical placement related funding support from the ECU or from Partner University in the current academic year.
- The recipient must notify ECU of any change of circumstances that may affect their eligibility to receive the clinical placement support payment.
- Payment will only be processed upon completion of the clinical placement, and the recipient is required to provide evidence that proves they are a current student at a partner institution of Edith Cowan University and that the clinical placement has been completed.

Accommodation Support

For students traveling over 120 kilometers one way for their placement, daily commuting is not practical.

Student Inclusion Criteria

The eligibility of students to receive accommodation support is dependent upon meeting the following criteria:

- Enrolment in ECU or other WA university allied health, nursing, and midwifery courses
- 120 km's from their ordinary residence
- Completion of their regional/rural placement

For more information

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