



# Horticulture and Landscaping Scholarship

The Open Gardens Canberra Scholarship provides an exciting opportunity for a CIT student in any horticulture stream to receive financial assistance with their studies and work with Canberra gardeners to open their gardens to the public.

Eligible students should be in their first year of a CIT qualification in horticulture or landscaping, within the CIT Department of Horticulture and Floristry.

The Open Gardens Canberra Scholarship provides \$2,000 over two years towards CIT tuition fees, textbooks and equipment. The scholarship recipient will also be encouraged to assist Canberra gardeners through the Open Gardens Canberra scheme.

Applications for the scholarship open in term 2 2021. First year horticultural students in 2021 not apprenticed are encouraged to apply. The scholarship will contribute towards fees in the second and third years of their course.

Applicants need to respond to sections 1-5 of the application criteria. The answer to each section should be no more than half a page in length (approximately 160 words) and can incorporate photos and illustrations. Applications can be delivered by email or post.



## Application Criteria

1. Why are you studying horticulture at CIT?
2. How would assisting Canberra gardeners to open their gardens enhance your studies and potential career in horticulture?
3. What do you consider to be the biggest challenges facing home gardeners in the Canberra region?
4. Give an example of a horticultural task you have undertaken that you feel was effective?
5. Attach:
  - a. your CV and academic history
  - b. supporting statement from one CIT teacher
  - c. other supporting documents of your choice.

## Applications will be judged on:

- > evidence of academic commitment and achievements in the first semester of the course
- > evidence a student's skills could be used to promote good gardening practices in the Canberra region
- > a demonstrated commitment to horticultural study and the application of skills developed
- > aptitude for personal development related to horticulture.

## Timing

- > Applications open end of semester 1
- > Applications close at the end of term 3
- > Successful applicant announced end of semester 2
- > First scholarship payment February 2022 on proof of enrolment.
- > Second scholarship payment February 2023 on proof of enrolment.

## Application can be sent to:

### By post:

Head of Department  
Department of Horticulture & Floristry  
CIT Technology and Design  
GPO 826, Canberra, 2601

### By email:

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