



## Resek Scholarship



A generous donation to honour the contribution made by Ellen and Marietta Resek to Home Economics has enabled the establishment of the Resek Scholarship. The purpose of this scholarship is to encourage undergraduate training in Home Economics and to provide financial support to a student enrolled on either a full-time or part-time basis.

Marietta & Ellen Resek were iconic to Home Economics, in particular dressmaking, during the 1950s - 1980s, when they inspired so many training Home Economics teachers to pursue excellence in clothing construction. For a further history on Marietta and Ellen Resek please visit the HEIA(SA) website.

Initially the Resek Award was intended to help support tertiary students through their training, however upon the demise of training courses for Home Economics in 1989, the award was then used to support the highest achieving secondary student in a Home Economics related subject. Unfortunately this became too difficult during the 1990s as it was almost impossible to select one single highest achiever from all the secondary students completing Home Economics at Year 12 level. Instead a Certificate was issued to all students receiving a Merit Award in a Home Economics subject, with no monetary value.

Finally during 2004, when tertiary institutions again commenced Home Economics training courses, HEIA(SA) was able to revert to the original intent of the Scholarship and identify one outstanding tertiary student from University submissions to receive the Resek Scholarship per year. During 2011 the value of the Award was increased in line with increased university costs, to \$2000.00 per year.

In 2016 an extensive review of the Resek Scholarship and application process was completed in consultation with Marietta Resek. Through this review the Resek Scholarship changed to a personal application, with supporting reference statements and documentation.

**The Resek Scholarship is currently valued at \$5000.00 a year, paid in two instalments.**

## Eligibility

Applicants for the scholarship must:

- be an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia; and normally reside in South Australia.
- be enrolled in a Home Economics related undergraduate degree course of a South Australian tertiary institution with a full time or part time study load. (Home Economics related courses could include – Teaching, Food Science, Nutrition and Dietetics, Child and Family Studies, Community Studies, Consumer Science, etc.)
- be studying for the full academic calendar year for which you apply.
- have successfully completed the first year requirements of that Home Economics related undergraduate degree.
- display excellence in both academic achievement and Home Economics related professional practice (including teaching practicums).

## Tenure

The scholarship is awarded for one full-time year of study or proportionately reduced for part-time study, subject to the scholarship holder maintaining their enrolment, and satisfactory academic performance. Scholarship payments will be withdrawn if the scholarship holder withdraws or is precluded from the course. The scholarship will be paid in equal installments at the beginning of each semester, with the scholarship totaling \$5000.00 per annum.

## Selection

The scholarship will be awarded to the most deserving candidate on the basis of a successful application. Selection of the most deserving candidate will be made by a Selection Committee which shall comprise of the HEIA(SA) Inc. President, Secretary and two members of the Executive Committee.

## Application

An application comprises of a personal application and referee statement(s). Both forms are available to download from the HEIA(SA) website [heiasa.com.au](http://heiasa.com.au). Referee forms can be downloaded and emailed to the appropriate person and returned as part of the overall application or emailed separately directly to HEIA(SA) before end of business on the closing date.

### **APPLICATIONS CLOSE : January 20th each year\***

\*Note that you will be applying for a scholarship during the same calendar year, based on your results from the previous year of study.

**The successful applicant will be contacted by a member of the Resek Scholarship Selection Committee. The Resek Scholarship will be announced by the public acknowledgement of the scholarship winner at the HEIA(SA) World Home Economics Day event.**