BCF Gateway Scholarship Application

Email completed application to pea.b.jordan@gmail.com.

Applications close 1 November 2026.

SECTION 1: Personal Details

Full Legal Name:

Preferred Name (if applicable):

Date of Birth:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Postal Address:

SECTION 2: VSO Involvement

Are you a current member of VSO?
☐ Yes ☐ No

Length of involvement with VSO:_____

Please attach a **Statement of Attendance** from the **Virtuoso Strings Office Manager**

☐ VS Attendance Statement Attached

Describe your role(s), responsibilities, and contributions within VSO:
(Please include key activities, leadership roles, or projects you've been part of.)

SECTION 3: Education Information

University or Tertiary Institution:

Degree Programme (e.g., Bachelor of Social Work):

Start Date (or expected start):

Have you received a formal offer of place?
☐ Yes (please attach offer letter)
☐ Not yet – expected by: _____

SECTION 4: Personal Statement

Please attach a written personal statement (500–1000 words) addressing:

- Your study and career aspirations
- Why you are applying for the BCF Gateway Scholarship
- How this scholarship would impact your education, life, and future goals
- Any personal values or experiences that shape your vision

☐ Personal Statement Attached

SECTION 5: Financial Need

To demonstrate financial need, you must submit both of the following:

1. Student Allowance Calculator Result

Visit the StudyLink website and complete the calculator. Attach a screenshot or PDF of your result.
☐ StudyLink Screenshot attached

2. Financial Need Statement (300–500 words)

Your statement should include:

- The financial challenges or barriers you are currently facing
- Any relevant family, cultural, or personal context
- How you intend to use the scholarship funds (e.g., rent, books, transport, living costs)

Note: You may use bullet points or paragraph format for clarity.
☐ Financial Statement Attached

SECTION 6: Referees and Recommendations

Please provide one reference letter from a **teacher, lecturer, employer, or community leader**, and the contact details of a **VSO leader or supervisor** to act as another referee.

Referee 1 (Academic/Professional):

Name: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____

Contact Details: _____

☐ Reference Letter Attached

Referee 1 (VSO):

Name: _____

Position/Role: _____

Contact Details: _____

SECTION 7: Declaration

Please read and confirm the following:

☐ I confirm that all information provided in this application is true and complete.
☐ I understand that submitting an application does not guarantee selection.
☐ If selected, I agree to meet the expectations outlined in the BCF Gateway Scholarship Recipient Agreement.
☐ I am happy to be contacted by the Committee if further information is needed.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____