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**Christopher John  
Woodhouse Family  
Memorial Scholarship**

*for*

**Darwin High School  
students attending  
Cromwell College  
Brisbane, Queensland**



## THE SCHOLARSHIP

This is a scholarship available for students who attended Darwin High School intending to reside at Cromwell College, Brisbane, Queensland, while studying at a university in Brisbane.

This scholarship will provide \$4,000 for a new student every year, towards assistance with their expenses, for the first year of his or her college.

## APPLICATION & ELIGIBILITY

Any student who has attended Darwin High School and is applying to Cromwell College (including students who may have had a 'gap-year' after completing Year 12) is eligible to apply through the Principal of Darwin High School.

As a family we thought it would be fair to help as many different students as possible, so every year, one student will be selected to receive \$4,000 for their first year at the college.

The scholarship is not solely based on academic results. The successful applicant shall be recommended by their teachers based on their overall academic and extracurricular performance during Year 12.





**CROMWELL COLLEGE**  
within the University of Queensland

# AN INTRODUCTION TO CROMWELL COLLEGE

Welcome to Cromwell College, one of ten residential colleges within the University of Queensland, St Lucia Campus. Cromwell is a home away from home for 251 students, generally ranging in age from 17 to 21.

Despite demand for places at Cromwell exceeding supply each year, the College is deliberately capped as one of the smaller residential colleges within the University. It is the smallest coeducational College which ensures that the unique blend of adult freedom and necessary academic and pastoral support structures blend within a small, values-based community environment.

Cromwell provides a safe and nurturing base from which to embark upon or continue university study.





Ask a Cromwell student the best feature of their College and they are likely to say things like, “strong community”, “close knit – everyone knows and looks out for everyone”, or “family feel”. From the moment you first enter Cromwell, this sense of community and warmth of spirit is evident. These special features have become the core of Cromwell College over six decades.

Cromwell College has six resident staff who live at the College to provide 24/7 support for the students. All resident staff are available at any time (day or night) to assist students. In addition, Resident Assistants (RA's) live in each corridor of every Cromwell building, providing valuable pastoral care, friendship and advice to the students. A comprehensive academic tutorial program operates throughout the College, with academic mentors for each Faculty. There is a vibrant and active Cromwell College Students' Association. Formal dinners are held fortnightly, where all students and staff wear academic dress. There is a Chapel for peaceful retreat and several active student based Christian groups. Domestic service programs are run annually. A comprehensive inter-collegial sporting, cultural and sustainability program operates. Cromwell College students have complimentary membership of UQ Sport / Gym facilities. An international community service program operates annually in Zambia. All rooms at Cromwell College have been refurbished and are kept in an excellent condition. There



is a regular housekeeping and a maintenance program. There is an impressive variety, quality and quantity of meals prepared by our own chefs. In short, the facilities, support and opportunities at Cromwell College are first class.

Cromwell has a proud and distinguished history spanning over sixty years. Since its establishment in 1954, generations of Cromwellians have gone on from the College to represent their fields at national and international levels. The Dining Hall and Common Room walls are adorned with honour boards, portraits and trophies telling the story of Cromwell's rich past. New and exciting chapters continue to be written through each cohort of students.

I am very proud to be the sixth Principal of Cromwell College. My background in schools enables me to genuinely empathise with the student pressures of Year 12 and associated university entry. I am now in a unique position where I can assist students in their transition from school to university and beyond. It is a privilege to be able to serve the Cromwell community. I invite you to peruse our website, but the unique spirit that is Cromwell comes alive through a visit. Every day is Open Day, so if you are in Brisbane, come and meet our students and staff, tour our facilities, and feel for yourself the unique community that is Cromwell.

*Ross A Switzer*  
PRINCIPAL / CEO







## CHRISTOPHER'S STORY

*Christopher John Woodhouse was born in Darwin on 14th July 1990. He attended Parap Primary School and Darwin High School, 2001-2007.*

*He completed year 12 with excellent results and was accepted into several southern universities to study engineering, however he decided to defer one year and spent 2008 working in Darwin.*

*During that year he applied to enrol at Queensland University of Technology in Brisbane to study Mechanical Engineering. He then chose Cromwell College, in the grounds of the University of Queensland, as his first choice of a residential college.*

*To his joy he was accepted into Cromwell College and spent 2009 boarding there.*

*He was extremely proud to be at that college and loved the way of life. He had numerous friends there. He participated in sports, college functions and parties but still passed all his first year's exams, with credits.*

*He was so looking forward to return in 2010.*

*Devastatingly, our wonderful son, brother and grandson died tragically on the evening of Sunday 31st January 2010. He was drowned while helping a friend who was in trouble in stormy waters off the cliffs at East Point.*

*He was 19 years old.*

*We, his family, are donating a scholarship to a Darwin High School student as a reminder that Christopher loved DHS and greatly appreciated the support, nurture and encouragement that he and his older sister Camille received while attending.*

*We want to give something back to Darwin High and Cromwell College to assist another student for Christopher's sake, so that in some way he will not be forgotten.*





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