



## History

The University of Ballarat has been granted a Coat of Arms from the College of Arms in London. The grant has five parts: the Shield, the Crest, the Supporters, the Motto and the Badge.

### Origin of the Arms

The origin of the University of Ballarat Arms is based on the history of the University of Ballarat and its antecedents.

The earlier institutions include The School of Mines and Industries, Ballarat (founded in 1870), the Ballarat Teachers College (founded in 1923) and its successor, the State College of Victoria at Ballarat (incorporated by Order in Council in 1973).

## Use of the Coat of Arms

The University's Coat of Arms may only be used by the University Council:

- for its correspondence,
- for sealed TAFE Division and Higher Education Division awards,
- for Council endorsed University policy documents,

and by Legal and Secretariat:

- for the endorsement of legal documents.

Any other use of the Coat of Arms must be authorised by the University Council and requests for its use should, in the first instance, be referred to the Secretary of Council (telephone 5327 9506).

## Parts of the Coat of Arms

### The Shield

The Shield is based in part on the badge of The School of Mines, Ballarat (1870) and is thought to reflect the personal arms of Foundation President, Sir Redmond Barry. However, the Shield has been changed with the removal of the "Book of Knowledge" of the School of Mines and the inclusion of the insignia of the Teachers College, "The Lamp of Learning". The Lamp, with the addition of the letters B.T.C., was used as a crest and letterhead for 45 years by the Teachers College.

The Shield is gold with blue chevrons on which the Teachers College insignia is placed. In three remaining corners are crossed keys of knowledge and spades representing Ballarat's gold mining past.

### The Crest

The Crest of the Arms, which can be used alternatively to the Arms for most purposes, is based on the large eucalyptus tree located in the University. The tree is a Tasmanian Blue Gum (*Eucalyptus Globulus*) on which is superimposed a representation of the Welcome Nugget, representing Ballarat's historic origins, based on the discovery of gold.

### The Motto

The University of Ballarat's Motto "Dare to be different", reflects the University's forward looking mission. The Motto can be used in a variety of ways, including University regalia, degrees, sports uniforms, etc. The University also has the right to use the Latin version of the above Motto.

### The Supporters

Supporters on each side of the Shield are an honour granted to cities and important institutions. The University of Ballarat Arms has supporters consisting of a miner (from the old City of Ballarat insignia) and a Bachelor of Education graduate (female) wearing gown and green hood of that degree with trencher.

### The Badge

The Badge, which had been in use prior to the Coat of Arms, consists of an adaptation of the flag of the Eureka Miners in 1854. The badge has been altered by having the white cross with star open ended and the inclusion of a maroon and gold ribbon at top and bottom. The Badge now forms the basis of the University of Ballarat logo.



The Coat of Arms may also be reproduced without the Crest or the Supporters.