

# DOHERTY PHD SUPPLEMENTARY SCHOLARSHIP

# **CONDITIONS OF AWARD**

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the John Curtin School of Medical Research ("JCSMR"), in the ANU College of Health and Medicine ("the College") may offer an award known as the Doherty PhD Supplementary Scholarship ("the award").

The objective of the award is to attract students of high calibre, with clinical qualifications, to pursue postgraduate studies at the JCSMR involving a clinical research project, in order to facilitate interaction between basic biomedical science and clinical research.

The award was established in honour of Professor Peter Doherty, who shared the *Nobel Prize for Physiology or Medicine* with Professor Rolf Zinkernagel in 1996, for work done at JCSMR.

Funding for this award has been provided by the Professor Peter Doherty Scholarships Fund.

#### 2. BENEFITS

**Value:** The value of the award will be stated in your letter of offer and may vary, but will not be less than \$6000 per annum. The award will be paid in fortnightly instalments unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer.

Duration: The duration of the award will be no longer than the approved ANU HDR Scholarship, and any shorter periods will be as stated in the scholarship letter of offer.

**Extension:** If eligible, a recipient may apply for an extension of the award by completing the <u>Manage my Degree - HDR</u> form. The maximum period of extension is six months and an extension may be sought only where the research has been delayed by circumstances beyond the scholar's control and is related to the research and is not of a personal nature.

# 3. ELIGIBILITY

The award will be available each year to a prospective/continuing student who:

- (a) is awarded and continues to hold an Australian Government Research Training Program (AGRTP) Stipend Scholarship, or a similar living expenses PhD scholarship;
- (b) is enrolled or enrolling full-time in a program of study for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the John Curtin School of Medical Research; and
- (c) holds an Australian Bachelor Honours degree with First Class Honours or equivalent, and has research publications and/or relevant research experience.

# 4. APPLICATION

There is no application as students are automatically considered based on meeting the eligibility criteria or conditions prescribed under the Eligibility section.

# 5. SELECTION

Selection will be made on the basis of qualifications and research potential.

The award will be recommended by the JCMSR Scholarships Committee, comprising the chair of the JCSMR Scholarships Committee, Associate Director HDR for JCSMR, and a panel of four JCSMR academic staff members representing the different departments. The Director, JCSMR, will provide approval for the award.

The Selection Committee and the JCSMR Director reserves the right to make no award if it considers there is no applicant of sufficient merit. The JCSMR may also vary the number of awards and/or offer the award at other times in exceptional circumstances or based on the standard of applications or students.

### 6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS

A recipient of the award is permitted to concurrently hold other scholarships, awards, grants and bursaries subject to the terms of the corresponding section in the conditions of award of the other scholarship/bursary/grant/award that they are holding.

# 7. DEFERMENT

The award must be taken up no later than the date specified in the letter of offer, unless in special circumstances another date has been approved by the Delegated Authority.

### 8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

The recipient is required to remain enrolled in a program of study for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy/Master of Philosophy at the Australian National University in the program for which the award is offered.

A part-time award may be offered or approved if the student has reasons acceptable to the University that preclude full-time study for part or all of the course of study. In such cases the University must be satisfied that the reasons relate to caring commitments, a medical condition, a disability or other circumstance which limits the student's capacity to undertake full-time study.

An award is tenable only at the John Curtin School of Medical Research and cannot be transferred to another institution or to a different ANU School.

#### 9. SUSPENSION OF AWARD

A recipient may apply for suspension of their award. The approval of a suspension will be at the discretion of the recipient's College. A suspension may be appropriate if a recipient is studying at another institution and receives an award for that study. In these circumstances the duration of the award will be reduced by the periods of study undertaken towards the degree during suspension of the award (unless the study was undertaken overseas as part of a Commonwealth Government financially supported international postgraduate research scholarship or award).

The University may suspend an award where a recipient has:

- a) outstanding fees;
- b) an outstanding debt with the University; or
- c) outstanding PhD milestone/s

An award will only be suspended once a reasonable amount of time (more than 20 working days) has passed since the fees and/or debt and/or milestones were due and once the University has advised the recipient in writing that the milestones, debt and/or fees are outstanding. Under these circumstances, the recipient will forfeit payment for the period of time that their award is suspended.

## **10. CESSATION OF AWARD**

The award ceases:

- (a) at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 2; or
- (b) on submission of the thesis for examination; or
- (c) on the date on which the recipient withdraws or ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences; or
- (d) if a recipient is no longer meeting or has breached the conditions of award; or
- (e) if a recipient breaches academic or behavioural standards set by the University under the Academic Misconduct & Discipline Rules.

# **11. REPAYMENT OF FUNDS**

A recipient who is taking leave from their program, or changing intensity from full-time to part-time, is expected to submit the prescribed form in a timely manner and, where possible, in advance in order to avoid receiving an overpayment of their award. In circumstances where an overpayment does occur, the overpayments will generally be recovered in line with the ANU Overpayments Procedure.

In the situation where a recipient is overpaid an amount in excess of a full fortnightly disbursement, the University may recover the overpayment by withholding future stipend payments at the same rate that the stipend was overpaid.

# 12. PROVIDING FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION

The offer of an award is based on the information provided to the University. An award may be withdrawn at any stage if incorrect, false or misleading information is provided or relevant information is withheld. This includes circumstances where the false information is unrelated to the assessment in offering the award.

# **13. VARIATION TO CONDITIONS OF AWARD**

In exceptional circumstances and on a case-by-case basis section 6 and/or 7 of these conditions of award may be varied by the Dean on the recommendation of the Chair of Selection Committee.

# **14. TAXATION & CENTRELINK**

Recipients are responsible for seeking taxation and Centrelink advice regarding their own individual circumstances. Scholarships/grants/awards may be regarded as taxable income if a recipient is enrolled on a part-time basis.

For information on how your award may affect your Centrelink benefits, please refer to this website: <u>http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/enablers/income/</u>

## **15. ACCOMMODATION**

It is the recipient's responsibility to obtain residential accommodation. Information on student accommodation and application forms are available from the University Accommodation Services. Information may be found on the Web at: http://www.anu.edu.au/students/services/accommodation

#### **16. PUBLICITY**

The recipient may be requested to participate in publicity for the award from time to time. This may include publicity in the state or territory of residence or of schooling. Recipients may be contacted for an interview and photograph. The University may also publicise the award by publishing the names of the recipients. Arrangements for such publicity will be made through the ANU College of Health and Medicine or Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Office of the University.

#### **17. CONTACT WITH THE ANU COLLEGE**

All enquiries regarding the award and changes, issues, or further information after acceptance should be made to:

John Curtin School of Medical Research ANU College of Health and Medicine Email: <u>jcsmr.hdr.sa@anu.edu.au</u>

#### **18. DISCLAIMER**

The recipient of this award is subject to The Australian National University Act 1991 as amended, and to the Statutes, Rules, Regulations and Resolutions of the University.

The award of a scholarship/grant does not carry any commitment by the University for future employment.

These conditions of award should be read in conjunction with the University's Research Awards Rule and Candidature and Supervision Policies.

#### **19. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES, RULES & RESOURCES**

ANU Legislation - http://www.anu.edu.au/about/governance/legislation

ANU Overpayments Procedure – <u>https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP\_000599</u>

ANU Academic Misconduct Rule - <u>https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2015L02025</u>

ANU Discipline Rule - https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2015L02046

Thesis Allowance Requirements - <u>http://www.anu.edu.au/students/program-administration/assessments-exams/theses-reimbursement</u>

Research Scholarship Information (including reimbursement and claim forms) http://www.anu.edu.au/students/scholarships-support/research-scholarship-information