

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING & COMPUTER SCIENCE

POSTGRADUATE COURSEWORK SCHOLARSHIP

1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science ("the College") may award up to ten (10) scholarships, known as the ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science Postgraduate Coursework Scholarship ("the award").

The objectives of the award are to attract high performing domestic students who are otherwise hesitant to commit to study, due to the high financial cost of undertaking postgraduate coursework studies.

Funding for this award has been provided jointly by the College of Engineering and Computer Science and by the Australian National University.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the award is stated in the letter of offer, and will cover a percentage of the recipient's Domestic Tuition Fees for the standard duration of the Postgraduate Coursework Degree (up to two years). The award will be applied to the recipient's Domestic Student Fees, as applicable, at the beginning of each semester, unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer.

The recipient is responsible for making payment of the balance of their tuition fees by the prescribed date as set out by the University each session. Recipients of this award are responsible for the costs of books, study materials, accommodation and all other costs of study.

3. ELIGIBILITY

The award is available each year to a prospective or current ANU student who:

- (a) is a domestic student; and
- (b) is enrolled/enrolling in a Graduate Diploma or Masters by coursework program offered by the College, to commence in the teaching period for which they are applying for this scholarship; and
- (c) will commence a Graduate Diploma or Masters by coursework program within the College for the first time.

4. APPLICATION

The application is submitted on the prescribed form. Any requirement for supporting documentation and forwarding details will be stated on the application form and/or ANU Scholarships website. The application and all supporting documentation (where applicable) must be submitted to the College Student Services Office on, or prior to, the closing date published on the ANU scholarships website.

5. SELECTION

Selection is made on the basis of applicants meeting the eligibility criteria. Preference may be given to support female students, and students from identified diversity/equity/access backgrounds. Eligible candidates will then be ranked according to their Grade Point Average (GPA) or Weighted Average Mark (WAM) from their Bachelor Degree or High School/pre-Bachelor degree studies.

The award is offered to a student by a selection committee chaired by the Dean (or nominee) of the College, which will also include at least two other academic staff members from the College, as appointed by the College Dean.

The selection committee reserves the right to make no award if it considers there is no applicant of sufficient merit. The selection committee 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 (where funds allow).

6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS

A recipient of the ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science Postgraduate Coursework Scholarship is permitted to hold concurrent scholarships as outlined in the ANU <u>Coursework Scholarships Procedure</u>.

7. DEFERMENT

The recipient is expected to take up their award in the semester for which it is offered. Any requests for deferrals of the award must be approved by the Dean of the College (or nominee). Subject to approval, the award may be deferred for a maximum of one semester.

8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

A recipient of this award is required to enrol full-time, in a minimum load of 18 units per semester. A recipient requests permission, in writing, from the Dean of the College (or nominee) to hold the award on a part-time basis. If approved, payments of the award will be made on a pro-rata basis.

Recipients are expected to maintain a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 65 per cent or above each semester (with the average being across all courses taken in a particular semester or session/s overlapping that semester).

If a recipient is unable to achieve the GPA in any semester a formal warning is sent.

If the recipient does not meet the required GPA in a subsequent semester they risk having their award suspended or terminated.

A recipient is given the opportunity to explain their performance and how their performance can be remedied before a decision on the suspension or termination of an award is made.

9. CESSATION OF AWARD

The award ceases or should be surrendered:

- (a) if a student no longer meets the eligibility requirements
- (b) at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 2; or
- (c) on the date on which the recipient withdraws or ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences;
- (d) if a recipient fails to enrol as required in section 8;
- (e) if a recipient changes to part-time enrolment without receiving permission to retain their scholarship;
- (f) if a recipient changes their program or course without permission;
- (g) if a recipient fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements;
- (h) if a recipient breaches academic or behavioural standards set by the University under the Academic Misconduct & Discipline Rules;

whichever is earliest.

10. REPAYMENT OF FUNDS

Subject to the information available at the time, the Dean (or nominee) may request that the payment for the semester in which the breach of conditions or withdrawal occurs be refunded in part or in full.

11. PROVIDING FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION

The awarding of a scholarship/grant 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 awarding the scholarship/grant.

12. 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 of the College and the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), on the recommendation of the Registrar and/or the Selection Committee.

13. TAXATION & CENTRELINK

Recipients are responsible for seeking taxation and Centrelink advice regarding their own individual circumstances. Scholarships/grants 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, see this website http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/enablers/income/

14. 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/study/accommodation

15. 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 College or Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Office of the University.

16. CONTACT WITH THE SCHOLARSHIP OWNER

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

CECS Student Services ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science CSIT Phone: +61 2 6125 4450 Email: <u>studentexp.cecs@anu.edu.au</u>

17. 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 Coursework Scholarships Policy & Procedures available from the ANU website.

18. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES & RULES

ANU Coursework Scholarship Policy https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP 007803

ANU Coursework Scholarship Procedure https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_009607 ANU Academic Misconduct Rule - <u>https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2015L02025</u> ANU Discipline Rule - <u>https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2015L02046</u>