

# ANU ONSHORE INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

# **CONDITIONS OF AWARD**

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

In Semester 1 2020 the Australian National University (ANU) may offer up to 35 awards known as the ANU Onshore International Student Scholarship ("the award").

The objectives of the award are to support diversity of the student body and recruit high caliber international students into postgraduate coursework programs offered by ANU.

Funding for this award has been provided by the ANU.

#### 2. BENEFITS

The value of the award will be stated in the letter of offer. The award will be paid directly towards the recipients' tuition fees or accommodation tariff at the beginning of each semester of study for the maximum duration of a two-year postgraduate coursework degree.

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, off-campus accommodation and any accommodation in their second year, and all other costs of study.

# 3. ELIGIBILITY

The award will be available to a prospective ANU student who:

- (a) currently resides in Australia as an onshore international student;
- (b) is currently completing or has recently completed an undergraduate degree at an Australian institution;
- (c) has applied for entry to a postgraduate program at ANU in Semester 1 2020, through an approved ANU onshore Education Agent as advertised on the awards webpage;
- (d) has achieved a minimum ANU GPA of 5.5/7.0 (or equivalent)<sup>1</sup> in their undergraduate degree; and
- (e) will enrol in a postgraduate program at ANU for the first time.

# 4. APPLICATION

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

# 5. SELECTION

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ANU uses a 7-point Grade Point Average (GPA) scale. All qualifications submitted for admission at ANU will be converted to this common scale, which will determine if an applicant meets our published admission requirements. Find out more about how a 7-point GPA is calculated for Australian universities: www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/admission-criteria/tertiary-qualifications

Selection is made on the basis of academic merit and aligned with the University's strategic objectives to ensure a diverse student cohort. Additional factors to foster diversity and inclusion may be taken into account and may include, but are not limited to:

- Educational access or disadvantage
- Geographic region

The award will be offered to students by College selection committees ("the committee") chaired by the Dean (or nominee) of the relevant College which will also include other academic College staff as appointed by the 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 OTHER AWARDS

A recipient of the ANU Onshore International Scholarship is permitted to hold concurrent scholarships as outlined in the ANU Coursework Scholarships procedure.

Failure to declare and obtain permission to hold another scholarship, award, grant or bursary may result in the recipient being required to refund a payment or payments to the University, as determined by the Delegated Authority of the University.

# 7. DEFERMENT

The award cannot be deferred.

#### 8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

A recipient of the award is required to enroll in a full-time load of 24 units per semester/6 month period. In compassionate or compelling circumstances, or as part of an academic intervention strategy, a recipient may request permission in writing from the Dean of College (or nominee) in which they are enrolled, to hold the award on part-time basis. If approved, award payments will be made on a pro-rata basis.

Recipients must maintain a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 5.0 or above each semester (with the average being across all courses taken in a particular semester or session/s overlapping that semester) during the tenure of the award and must not fail a course.

If a recipient is unable to achieve the required 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. AWARD CESSATION

The award ceases or must be surrendered:

- (a) if a student no longer meets the eligibility requirements in section 3;
- (b) at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 2;
- (c) on the date on which the student 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 permission from the relevant College to retain their scholarship;
- (f) if a recipient breaches academic or behavioural standards set by the University under the Academic Misconduct and Discipline Rules;
- (g) if a recipient breaches the Occupancy Agreement as set by the accommodation provider.

whichever is earliest.

#### **10. REPAYMENT OF FUNDS**

Subject to the information available at the time, the Delegated Authority in the College 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 INFORMATION**

The awarding of a scholarship 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.

# 12. VARIATIONS TO CONDITIONS OF AWARD

In exceptional circumstances and on a case-by-case basis section 7 of these conditions of award may be varied by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) on the recommendation of the Chair of the respective College selection committee.

# **13. TAXATION AND CENTRELINK**

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

# 14. ACCOMMODATION

The recipient will be guaranteed accommodation on campus for the first year of their postgraduate program. The scholarship will cover the accommodation weekly tariff amount of the first year only. All other associated fees and charges set out in the accommodation contract are the responsibility of the recipient.

Accommodation for the second year of study is not guaranteed. It is the recipient's responsibility to obtain and pay for residential accommodation for their second year of study.

Recipients will need to submit an ANU Accommodation application and sign and adhere to the ANU accommodation provider occupancy agreement.

On-campus accommodation will be provided at a number of select halls and residences. Recipients are not guaranteed that they will receive an accommodation offer in their first hall or residence preference.

Information on student accommodation and application forms are available from the University Accommodation Services at: <u>http://www.anu.edu.au/study/accommodation</u>

Information on other accommodation costs and fees can be found at: <u>https://www.anu.edu.au/study/accommodation/cost-comparison</u>.

#### 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 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 respective College of study or the University Strategic Communications and Public Affairs office.

#### 16. CONTACT WITH THE UNIVERSITY

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

ANU Coursework Scholarships Office Division of Student Administration & Academic Services

E: coursework.scholarships@anu.edu.au

#### 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 - https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2015L02025

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