

ANU RESEARCH SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES DIRECTOR'S PHD SUPPLEMENTARY SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the Research School of Social Sciences (RSSS) (School) in the ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences (College) may offer two awards known as the ANU Research School of Social Sciences Director's PhD Supplementary Scholarship (Award).

The objective of this Award is to provide funding for outstanding domestic¹ or international² students to enable them to pursue a PhD program based in the Research School of Social Sciences in the ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences.

2. BENEFITS

Value: The value of the Award will be stated in the letter of offer. The Award will be paid in fortnightly instalments unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer.

3. DURATION

The duration of the full-time Award will be one year or such shorter period as is stated in the letter of offer.

a) Extension:

No extension is available

4. ELIGIBILITY

The Award will be available each year to prospective or continuing students who:

- a) are enrolled or enrolling full-time in a program of study for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, based in the Research School of Social Sciences; and
- b) are one of the top ranked in the order of scholarship merit in the Research School of Social Sciences

5. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

No application for the Award is required as eligible students will be automatically considered.

¹ A student who is an Australian citizen, a New Zealand citizen, the holder of an Australian Permanent Resident visa or the holder of an Australian humanitarian visa

² A student who is not an Australian or New Zealand citizen or the holder of Australian permanent resident status, and is required to hold a visa to study in Australia and liable for international student fees (ISF) payable to the University either by the student or a sponsor

6. SELECTION

Selection will be made on the ranking conducted by the College Scholarship Ranking Committee. This Committee is chaired by the Associate Dean (HDR) and includes the other approved members of the College Scholarship Ranking Committee.

The Committee may make no Award if it considers there is no student of sufficient merit. Where funds permit, the selection committee in consultation with the RSSS Directorate may also:

- a) vary the number of Awards; and/or
- b) offer the Award at other times.

7. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS

A recipient is permitted to hold other scholarships, awards, grants and bursaries concurrently with this Award, provided the terms of the other scholarship permits this also.

8. DEFERMENT

The Award must be taken up no later than the date specified in the letter of offer, unless otherwise approved.

9. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

A recipient is required to remain enrolled full-time in an eligible program of study for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the Australian National University.

10. SUSPENSION OF AWARD

A recipient may apply to the College for suspension of their Award. 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 the Award where a recipient has:

- a) outstanding fees; or
- b) an outstanding debt with the University; or
- c) outstanding HDR program milestone/s; or
- d) been found to be in breach of a statute, rule or policy or procedure of the University.

The Award will be suspended when at least 5 working days have passed since the University advised the recipient in writing that the milestones, debt and/or fees are outstanding, until the milestones have been met or the outstanding fees and/or debt have been paid. Under these circumstances, the recipient will forfeit payment of the Award for the period of time that their Award is suspended.

11. END OF AWARD

The Award ends:

- a) at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 3; 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) may be terminated if a recipient is found to be in breach of a statute, rule, policy or procedure of the University.

12. REPAYMENT OF FUNDS

A recipient who is taking leave from their program, or changing their enrolment intensity from full-time to part-time, must submit the prescribed <u>Manage My Degree - HDR</u> 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, these will be recovered in accordance with the ANU Procedure - Overpayments.

13. PROVIDING FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION

The offer of the Award is based on the information provided by the student 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 of the Award.

14. VARIATION TO CONDITIONS OF AWARD

In exceptional circumstances, these Conditions of Award may be varied by the Dean on the recommendation of the Chair of the selection committee.

15. TAXATION AND CENTRELINK

Recipients are responsible for seeking taxation and Centrelink advice regarding their own individual circumstances. Scholarships, grants or awards may be regarded as taxable income in some circumstances.

For information on how the Award may affect Centrelink benefits, please refer to: http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/enablers/income/

16. 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 at: http://www.anu.edu.au/students/services/accommodation

17. PUBLICITY

A recipient may be invited to participate in publicity for the Award from time to time, including an interview and photograph.

18. CONTACT WITH THE COLLEGE

All enquiries regarding the Award should be made to:

Research School of Social Sciences ANU College of Arts & Social Sciences

Email: <u>eo.rsss@anu.edu.au</u>

19. NOTE

A recipient of this Award is subject to *The Australian National University Act 1991* and to the Statutes, Rules, policies and procedures of the University as amended from time to time.

Receipt of this Award does not indicate any commitment by the University for conferral of the recipient's award, or of future employment.

20. IMPORTANT POLICIES, PROCEDURES, RULES & RESOURCES

HDR legislation, policies and procedures

https://www.anu.edu.au/students/program-administration/assessments-exams/hdr-policies-procedures

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