



## **BILL PACKARD SCHOLARSHIP**

### **CONDITIONS OF AWARD**

#### **1. INTRODUCTION**

Each year, Bruce Hall, a residential college at The Australian National University, may offer an award known as the *Bill Packard Scholarship* ("the award").

The objective of the award is to assist students in financial need relocating from outside of the Canberra region, with the cost of accommodation fees whilst they undertake an undergraduate degree at the ANU.

The Bill Packard Scholarship was established as part of the 50th anniversary celebrations of Bruce Hall in memory of William (Bill) Packard AM. Bill was the founding warden of Bruce Hall and was instrumental in shaping the Hall's Culture during his 25 years as Warden of Bruce Hall. Donors to the Bill Packard Scholarship, mainly past residents, have done so to promote and protect the sense of community that makes Bruce Hall the transformative environment where each resident is encouraged and supported to achieve their own personal best in all aspects of life. The Hall continues to support and encourage engagement between the resident body and the broader University and Canberra communities and, through this, to promote active participation in discussion, debate and dialogue designed to broaden students' academic experience of the ANU.

#### **2. BENEFITS**

The value of the award is stated in your letter of offer. The duration of the award is up to three consecutive years while the recipient remains in residence at Bruce Hall. The award is paid in equal instalments directly to Bruce Hall at the beginning of semester unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer.

The recipient is responsible for making payment of all 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, the balance of their accommodation fees and all other costs of study.

#### **3. ELIGIBILITY**

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

- (a) is a domestic student;
- (b) is enrolling in an undergraduate degree program at the Australian National University;
- (c) will reside at Bruce Hall;
- (d) is relocating to Canberra from outside of the [Canberra region](#);
- (e) through applying for direct admission to the University, has been assessed as having financial hardship.

#### **4. APPLICATION**

All applicants applying for admission through the ANU Admission Scholarship and Accommodation Application System will be automatically considered for the award based on them meeting the eligibility criteria and electing to be considered for scholarships.

Where a scholarship cannot be awarded to a direct applicant, it may be offered to an applicant applying for admission and who has been assessed as eligible to receive equity adjustment factors via the University Admissions Centre (UAC).

#### **5. SELECTION**

Selection is made on the basis of an applicant's financial need as assessed in their application for admission, 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:

- Rural/regional status
- Educational access or disadvantage
- Gender
- Geographic region
- Indigenous status
- Refugee status
- Disability

In the situation where these factors are not enough to separate candidates, academic merit may be considered.

The award is offered to a student by a selection committee chaired by the Head of Residence, Bruce Hall or Deputy Head of Residence, Bruce Hall and 2 other staff members external to Bruce Hall.

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 Bill Packard Scholarship is permitted to hold concurrent scholarships as outlined in the ANU Coursework Scholarships procedure.

#### **7. DEFERMENT**

The award cannot be deferred.

## **8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY**

A recipient of this award is required to enrol in a full-time load (18-24 units per semester). A recipient requests permission, in writing, from the Head of Residence, Bruce Hall to hold the award on a part-time basis.

Recipients are expected to remain actively engaged with the Bruce Hall community through participation and involvement in Bruce Hall community events to create a positive residential community.

Being the recipient of this scholarship does not guarantee continuation of residence at Bruce Hall from year to year. Recipients will need to apply through the “returners’ process” for continuation of their residence at Bruce Hall. If successful the scholarship will continue based on them continuing to meet the eligibility and ongoing eligibility requirements.

## **9. CESSATION OF AWARD**

The award ceases or should be surrendered:

- (a) if a student no longer meets the eligibility or ongoing 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 violates hall disciplinary or community standards;
- (g) 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, Head of Residence, Bruce Hall 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 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. 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/>

### **13. 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>

### **14. 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 Bruce Hall or the Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Office of the University.

### **15. DISCLOSURE AND DONOR CONTACT**

For the purposes of reporting on the impact of scholarships, the name, program name and demographics (for example: age, country or town of residence) relating to a recipient of this award may be disclosed to donors supporting the award. This will not include recipient contact details. The recipient may be asked to write a personal note of thanks or to meet with donors. Any contact between a donor and a recipient will be facilitated by the ANU Advancement Office or an authorised representative 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:

*Head of Residence, Bruce Hall*

Email: [Reception.BruceHall@anu.edu.au](mailto:Reception.BruceHall@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 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](https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_007803)

ANU Coursework Scholarship Procedure -

[https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP\\_009607](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>