

L'ORÉAL AUSTRALIA INDIGENOUS UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

The Australian National University ("the University" or "ANU") may offer an award known as the L'Oréal Australia Indigenous Undergraduate Scholarship for Women in Science ("the award").

The objectives of the award are to support Indigenous Australian women to attend ANU and complete an undergraduate degree program. The University aims to provide a flexible package of support encompassed by this award to alleviate financial and other barriers to entry to the University.

Funding for this award has been provided by the generous gifts of L'Oréal Australia ("the donor").

2. BENEFITS

The value of the award is stated in your letter of offer. The duration of the award is up to five years full-time study. The award is paid in instalments at the beginning of each semester unless otherwise stated in your letter of offer.

The amount of the award may be paid directly towards accommodation or as a stipend.

Recipients of this award are responsible for making payment of all tuition fees by the prescribed date as set out by the University each session and all other costs of study not covered by the scholarship.

3. ELIGIBILITY

The award is available to a prospective ANU student who:

- a) Is an Australian citizen;
- b) identifies as a First Nations and Indigenous person; and
- c) identifies as a female; and
- d) has applied for, or received an offer of admission to, an undergraduate degree program offered by the ANU College of Science or ANU College of Health & Medicine.

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.

5. SELECTION

Selection is made on the basis of academic merit and a number of additional factors that are aligned with the University's strategic objectives to ensure a diverse student cohort.

Additional factors to be taken into account may include but are not limited to:

- Financial need
- Educational access or disadvantage
- Regional/remote status

Where there are multiple candidates of equal academic merit and need/disadvantage, preference will be given to candidates not receiving a scholarship or with the lowest value scholarship package.

The award is offered to a student by the Indigenous University Coursework Scholarship Committee chaired by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) and consisting of the Director, Tjabal Indigenous higher Education Centre, a College Dean (or their representative) and a senior Indigenous academic staff member.

The Committee reserves the right to make no award it is considers there is no applicant meeting the eligibility criteria. The Committee may also vary the number of awards and/or offer award at other times in exceptional circumstance or based on the standard of the applications of students, where funds allow and subject to the donor's prior written consent where reasonably necessary.

6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF SCHOLARSHIPs

A recipient of this award 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 of 18-24 units per semester/ 6 month period. On a case-by-case basis, a recipient may request in writing from the Director, Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre to hold the award on a part-time basis. If approved, payments of the award will be made on a pro-rata basis. A recipient of this award is required to remain enrolled in a program offered by the ANU College of Science or ANU College of Health & Medicine.

Recipients are expected to maintain a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 4.0 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 required GPA in any semester a formal warning is sent and the Tjabal Centre notified in order to provide the student with support.

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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. SCHOLAR OBLIGATIONS

Scholarship recipients will be encouraged to engage with the Tjabal Centre and the donor and the activities of the Centre.

10. CESSATION OF AWARD

The award will cease automatically in the following circumstances:

- 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 enrols in a program, or course, offered outside of the ANU College of Science or the ANU College of Health and Medicine;
- 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 & Disciplines Rules;

whichever is earliest.

11. REPAYMENT OF FUNDS

Where the recipient withdraws from the degree or University or where a breach of the academic or behavioural standards of the University has occurred, the Director, Tjabal Centre will, subject to the information available at the time, request that the payment for the semester in which the breach of conditions or withdrawal occurs be repaid to the University by the recipient in full.

12. 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. In these circumstances, the recipient will be required to repay the award amount (if any payment has occurred).

13. TAXATION & CENTRELINK

Recipients are responsible for seeking taxation and Centrelink advice regarding their own individual circumstances. Scholarships 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, including with the donor. This may include publicity in the state or territory of residence or of schooling. The donor may request the recipient to attend L'Oréal events throughout the year. 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 Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre, ANNU Advancement Office 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:

Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre

Email: tjabal.centre@anu.edu.au

17. DISCLOSURE AND DONOR CONTACT

For the purposes of reporting on the impact of awards, the name, program name and demographics (for example: age, country or town of residence) relating to a recipient of the 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.

18. DISCLAIMER

The recipient of the 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.

19. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES 7 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