

# PhB SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP

# **CONDITIONS OF AWARD**

# 1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the Joint Colleges of Science ("the Colleges") may offer up to ten awards known as the PhB Science Scholarship ("the award").

The objective of the award is to provide support to PhB Science students from disadvantaged backgrounds and/or to assist PhB Science students in relocation costs to support their moving to Canberra.

Funding for this award has been provided by the Colleges.

# 2. BENEFITS

The value of the award is stated in your letter of offer. The duration of the award is one year. The award is paid in two instalments at the beginning of each 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, accommodation and all other costs of study.

# 3. ELIGIBILITY

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

- (a) is a domestic or international student;
- (b) receives an offer of admission to the Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours) Science or the Bachelor of Philosophy (Honours) - Science/Bachelor of Science (Honours) ANU-NUS joint degree program
- (c) has not previously enrolled in any undergraduate degree program
- (d) satisfies one or more of the following criteria:
  - i. financial hardship;
  - ii. Indigenous Australian;
  - iii. long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effects of abuse;
  - iv. refugee status;
  - v. attended the final years of schooling at a low ICSEA school (school below 900);
  - vi. attendance at a rural school, defined in accordance UAC EAS category S01C;
  - vii. first in immediate family (parent or grandparent) to attend University.
  - viii. resides outside of Australia prior to the commencement of their PhB (Honours) studies;

If award/s remain after consideration of applicants against the above criteria, then the award is available to a prospective ANU student who satisfies the following criteria:

ix. resides outside the Canberra region prior to commencement of their PhB (Honours) studies.

# 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.

International students and domestic students not applying via ASA, must submit a statement addressing how they meet the eligibility criteria and attach relevant documentation to support their claims. The application and all supporting documentation (where applicable) must be submitted 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 and their answers to the standard scholarship questions in the ANU Admission Scholarship and Accommodation Application Management System. Preference may be given to applicants relocating from more distant or difficult to access locations.

The award is offered to a student by the University Coursework Scholarships Committee. Membership of this committee is outlined in the ANU Coursework Scholarships procedure.

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 PhB Science 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 (minimum of 18 units) per semester in one of the programs mentioned in section 3(b). A recipient requests permission, in writing, from the Chair of the PhB Committee to hold the award on a part-time basis. If approved, payments of the award will be made on a pro-rata basis.

#### 9. CESSATION OF AWARD

The award ceases or should be surrendered:

- (a) at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 2; or
- (b) on the date on which the recipient withdraws or ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences;
- (c) if a recipient fails to enrol as required in section 8;
- (d) if a recipient changes to part-time enrolment without permission,
- (e) if a recipient transfers to a program not listed in section 3(b);
- (f) 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 Chair of the PhB Committee 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. 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: <a href="http://www.anu.edu.au/study/accommodation">http://www.anu.edu.au/study/accommodation</a>

## 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 the Joint Colleges of Science or Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Office of the University.

#### 15. CONTACT WITH THE SCHOLARSHIP OWNER

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

Joint Colleges of Science

Email: phb.science.enquiries@anu.edu.au

### 16. 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.

# 17. 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 - <a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2015L02025">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2015L02025</a>

ANU Discipline Rule - <a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2015L02046">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2015L02046</a>