



## **ANU RESEARCH SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS POSTGRADUATE MERIT SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS OF AWARD**

### **1. INTRODUCTION**

Each year the ANU College of Business and Economics ("the College") may offer a scholarship known as the *ANU Research School of Economics Postgraduate Merit Scholarship* ("the award").

The objective of the award is to attract high-calibre domestic students into postgraduate programs offered by the Research School of Economics ("the School").

Funding for this award has been provided by the ANU Research School of Economics.

### **2. BENEFITS**

The value of the award is stated in your letter of offer.

The award will be applied to the recipient's Domestic Tuition Fees (DTF), at the beginning of each semester, for the duration of the postgraduate program at the School, unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer.

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, accommodation and all other costs of study.

### **3. ELIGIBILITY**

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

- (a) is an Australian citizen, an Australian permanent resident, an Australian humanitarian visa holder or a New Zealand citizen (or dual citizenship holders of either Australia or New Zealand);
- (b) has been offered admission into a postgraduate coursework program in the ANU Research School of Economics; and
- (c) has achieved at an excellent level in their university qualification

### **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**

Selection is made on the basis of academic merit. Preference may be given to those applying to study at the College for the first time.

The award is offered to a student by a selection committee chaired by Director of the RSE which will also include the Deputy Director of the RSE and the Program Convener (or nominee).

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 funding allows).

## **6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS**

A recipient of the RSE *Postgraduate Merit 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 must be enrolled in a postgraduate coursework program at the Research School of Economics in either part-time or full-time study load.

Recipients are expected to maintain a 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) without failing a course.

If a recipient is unable to achieve the GPA or fails a course in any semester a formal warning is sent.

If the recipient does not meet the required GPA or fails a course 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. 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 their program outside of the Research School of Economics (the scholarship is not transferrable to post-graduate programs outside of the RSE);
- (f) if a recipient fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements;
- (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, the College Dean (or nominee) 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. VARIATION 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 College Dean (or nominee).

## **13. 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/>

## **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. 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 ANU College of Business and Economics or Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Office of the University.

## **16. CONTACT WITH THE COLLEGE**

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

*ANU College of Business and Economics (CBE)*  
*Email: [scholarships.cbe@anu.edu.au](mailto:scholarships.cbe@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](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>