

ANU RESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the Residential Experience Division may offer a number of awards known as the ANU Residential Scholarship ('the Award').

The objective of the Award is to recognise residents who have volunteered to undertake activities that contribute to the enhancement of community life in their Residence and the wider Australian National University ('the University') community.

Funding for this Award has been provided by The Australian National University.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the Award is stated in your letter of offer. The duration of the Award is specified in your 'Letter of Invitation'. The Award is paid in four instalments as specified in your 'Letter of Invitation' unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer. At the discretion of the Head of Residence, an Award may be extended over the summer period.

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 the 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 continuing ANU student who:

- (a) is a domestic or international student; and
- (b) is enrolled in an undergraduate, honours or postgraduate coursework degree offered at the University; and
- (c) has maintained an ANU GPA of 5.0 or higher; and
- (d) is living in an ANU on-campus Residence.

4. NOMINATION

The nomination form is completed by the applicant on the Wattle website for Residences. Any requirement for supporting documentation and forwarding details will be stated on the Wattle website. The nomination form and all supporting documentation (where applicable) must be submitted on or prior to the closing date published on the ANU Campus and Residential Experience Scholarships Wattle site.

5. SELECTION

Only nominees who meet all the eligibility criteria will be considered. Selection is made on the basis of academic merit, the information provided in the nomination form, the meet and greet and the group evaluation process.

The Award is offered to a student by the Deputy Director, Residential Experience Division following the group evaluation process.

The Residential Experience Division reserves the right to make no award if it considers there is no applicant of sufficient merit. The Residential Experience Division 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 Award is permitted to hold concurrent student financial awards as outlined in the ANU coursework scholarships, grants and bursaries 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 units per semester. A recipient requests permission, in writing, from the Deputy Director, Residential Experience Division to hold the Award on a part-time basis.

Recipients are expected to support the formal academic activities of the learning communities in which they live. In general, recipients are expected to display leadership and life skills as well as contribute to the spirit and life of the Residence and the University community. It is expected that recipients will volunteer to contribute to one or more aspects of their residential community. If undertaking a volunteer role, recipients will be provided with operating guidelines by their Head of Residence to assist them to tailor their contribution to the specific needs of their Residential community and will be offered training relevant to their particular contribution.

Recipients are expected to conduct themselves at all times in a manner which reflects the values of the University and in accordance with the ANU Student Code of Conduct.

Residents are expected to live in their relevant Residence during the academic year. If a resident is absent from the Residence through illness or for any other reason during the academic year, it is essential that the recipient notifies the Head of Residence. The Award duration includes teaching breaks in the academic year, and recipients need to negotiate any absences from the Residence during these breaks with their Head of Residence and in accordance with the Residential Scholar Absence Guidelines.

Recipients are expected to meet the academic progress rules and policies relevant to their program of study to retain the Award.

If a recipient is unable to meet the academic progress rules and policies relevant to their program of study in any semester a formal warning is sent.

If the recipient does not meet the academic progress rules and policies relevant to their program of study 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 (and any Volunteer role) ceases or should be surrendered:

- (a) if a student no longer meets the eligibility requirements;
- (b) at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 2;
- (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 the Award;
- (f) if a recipient fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements; or
- (g) if a recipient moves out of their Residence;
- (h) if a recipient breaches the terms of the Occupancy Agreement in respect of the Residence;
- (i) if a recipient does not follow reasonable direction from the Head of Residence or the University;
- (j) if a recipient does not undertake mandatory training required for a volunteer role;
- (k) if a recipient breaches academic or behavioural standards set by the University under the Academic Integrity Policy and/or the Discipline Rule;

whichever is earliest.

10. REPAYMENT OF FUNDS

Subject to the information available at the time, the Director, Residential Experience 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

Selection for the Award is based on the information provided to the University. The 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 for the Award.

12. TAXATION

Recipients are responsible for seeking independent taxation advice regarding their own individual circumstances. Student financial awards are regarded as taxable income if a recipient is enrolled on a part-time basis. If you are receiving Centrelink benefits, student financial awards may impact your Centrelink payments.

For more information, visit

- <u>https://www.ato.gov.au/Calculators-and-</u> tools/Host/?anchor=IMST&anchor=IMST&anchor=IMST/questions#IMST/question
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- <u>https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/income-from-scholarships-for-students-and-apprentices?context=43921</u>

13. 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 Residential Experience Division or ANU Communications and Engagement (ACE).

14. CONTACT WITH THE AWARD OWNER

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

Deputy Director

Residential Experience Division

Email: deputy.residential.experience@anu.edu.au

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15. 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 does not carry any commitment by the University for future employment.

These Conditions of Award should be read in conjunction with the University's student financial awards policy and coursework scholarships, grants and bursaries procedure available from the ANU website.

16. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES & RULES

ANU Student Financial Awards Policy https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_007803

ANU Coursework Scholarships, Grants and Bursaries Procedure https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_009607

ANU Academic Integrity Policy - https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_6477101

ANU Discipline Rule - https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2021L00998

ANU Occupancy Agreement - <u>https://study.anu.edu.au/files/2023-</u> 10/2024%20Occupancy%20Agreement.pdf

ANU Residential Handbook - <u>https://study.anu.edu.au/accommodation/application-advice/residential-handbook-0</u>