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ANU COLLEGE OF LAW ACCESS SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the ANU College of Law may offer a number of awards known as the ANU College of Law Access Scholarship ('the Award').

The objective of the Award is to support students with a diagnosed disability or long-term medical condition when undertaking law studies. The Award aims to offset some of the financial burden of attendance at law school in their first year.

Funding for this Award has been provided by the ANU College of Law. The Award was initiated by Surend Dayal, an Honorary Senior Lecturer at the ANU College of Law.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the Award is stated in the letter of offer. The duration of the Award is for one year. The Award is paid in equal instalments after census date 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 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 commencing ANU student who:

- (a) is a domestic or international student; and
- (b) has received an offer of admission to one of the following programs offered by the ANU College of Law:
 - a. Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (single or flexible double degree)
 - b. Juris Doctor
 - c. Master of Laws
 - d. Master of Financial Management and Law
 - e. Master of International Law and Diplomacy
- (c) intends to start their law degree in the year that the Award is offered; and
- (d) has a diagnosed disability or long-term medical condition.

4. APPLICATION

The application is submitted on the prescribed form. Any requirement for supporting documentation and forwarding details will be stated on the application form and/or ANU Scholarships website. 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

Only applicants who meet all the eligibility criteria will be considered. Selection is made on the basis of applicants meeting the eligibility criteria. Where there are more equally ranked applicants than there are Awards available, preference may be given to (in order of priority):

- A student with neurodiversity.
- A student studying in a Flexible Double-Degree Law-Science.
- A student who can also demonstrate financial hardship.
- A student who identifies as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

The Award is offered to a student by a selection committee chaired by the Dean of ANU College of Law (or nominee) which will also include two staff members from the ANU College of Law.

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 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 minimum of 6 units each semester in their ANU College of Law program.

9. CESSATION OF AWARD

The Award 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 their program or course without permission to retain the Award;
- (f) if a recipient fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements; or
- (g) 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 Chair of the selection 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

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

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

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://study.anu.edu.au/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 the ANU College of Law or ANU Communications and Engagement (ACE).

15. CONTACT WITH THE AWARD OWNER

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

Law College Student and Education Support
02 6125 3483

Email: enquiries.law@anu.edu.au

16. 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.

17. 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>