



MITCHELL SCHOLARSHIP

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the ANU College of Business and Economics ("the College") may offer an award known as the *Mitchell Scholarship* ("the award").

The objective of the award is to support first year undergraduate students from rural and regional backgrounds with the cost of studying at the ANU College of Business and Economics.

Funding for this award has been provided by Mr John Mitchell, an ANU alumni, successful farmer and investor who is passionate about removing barriers to higher education and reducing income inequality.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the award is stated in the letter of offer. The duration of the award is for up to one year of full-time study, (maximum of 48 units). The award payment will align to the recipient's academic study load. For example, 24 unit enrolment constitutes 100% award payment; 18 unit enrolment constitutes 75% award payment, etc. The award will be paid at the beginning of each semester of the undergraduate program.

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 current ANU student who:

- (a) is an Australian citizen, Australian permanent resident, New Zealand citizen (or dual citizenship holders of either Australia or New Zealand) or Australian humanitarian visa Holder;
- (b) has completed a Year 12 qualification in Australia at an Australian High School (or College);
- (c) has been schooled in, and resided in a regional and rural area outside of the Canberra region. This excludes students from the immediate Canberra surrounds (postcodes 0200, 2600-2612, 2614-2620, 2900-2914). Universities Admission Centre (UAC) Education Access Scheme (EAS) [Schools Lists](#) will be used to award the scholarship; and
- (d) has made an application for admission to the Australian National University to a single, or a flexible double degree with one of the programs offered by the ANU College of Business and Economics.

4. APPLICATION

There is no separate application as students applying for program admission through UAC are automatically considered based on them meeting the eligibility criteria prescribed under the eligibility section.

5. SELECTION

Selection is made on the applicants meeting the eligibility criteria then on basis of academic merit.

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

The College reserves the right to make no award if it considers there is no applicant of sufficient merit. The College 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 Mitchell Scholarship is permitted to hold concurrent scholarships as outlined in the ANU Coursework Scholarships procedure.

7. DEFERMENT

The award cannot be deferred. Requests for deferral made under exceptional circumstances may be considered by the Selection Committee chair.

8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

A recipient of this award is required to enrol in a full-time load of 24 units per semester. A recipient requests permission, in writing, from the College Dean (or nominee) to hold the award on a part-time basis.

Recipients are expected to maintain a Weighted Average Mark (WAM) of 60% 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 GPA in any semester a formal warning is sent.

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. 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; 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;
- (f) if a recipient transfers to a program not offered by the ANU College of Business and Economics;
- (g) if a recipient fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements as required in section 8;
- (h) 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/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:

<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 Business and Economics or Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Office of the University.

15. DISCLOSURE AND DONOR CONTACT

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

16. CONTACT WITH THE SCHOLARSHIP OWNER

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

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

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>

ANU Student Academic Study load and Progression Policy–

https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_002611