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## ANU COLLEGE OF SYSTEMS AND SOCIETY EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP FOR WOMEN

### CONDITIONS OF AWARD

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the ANU College of Systems and Society ('the College') may offer up to twelve awards known as the ANU College of Systems and Society Excellence Scholarship for Women ('the Award').

The objective of the Award is to support women studying Engineering and Computer Science disciplines at the undergraduate level who have experienced educational or other disadvantages.

Funding for this Award has been provided by the ANU College of Systems and Society.

#### 2. BENEFITS

The value of the Award is stated in your letter of offer. The duration of the Award is two years. 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) identifies as a woman; and
- (b) is a domestic student; and
- (c) has completed an Australian Year 12 or IB qualification; and
- (d) receives an offer of admission to an undergraduate program offered by the ANU College of Systems and Society; and
- (e) is eligible for and receives adjustment factors under the National Access Scheme.

#### 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.

Where there are no eligible direct applicants or where the pool of eligible direct applicants has been exhausted, the Award may be offered to an eligible student applying for admission via the University Admissions Centre (UAC).

#### 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 with priority given, in the following order, to applicants with the highest severity rating of:

- financial hardship
- personal illness/disability
- severe family disruption
- excessive family responsibility
- abuse
- refugee status (where qualifies as a domestic students)
- English language difficulty
- school environment
- socio-economic indexes for areas (SEIFA)
- completed final years of schooling in a low-ICSEA school (below 900)

Where there are more eligible applicants than there are scholarships available, preference will be given to applicants who receive adjustment factors for multiple disadvantages and then, if necessary, according to ANU Selection Rank. Other factors may be taken into account where they align with the University's strategic objectives to ensure a diverse student cohort.

The Award is offered to a student by the University Coursework Scholarships Committee. Details of this committee are 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 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 minimum 18 units per semester. A recipient requests permission, in writing, from the College of Systems and Society Associate Dean (Education) to hold the Award on a part-time basis. If approved, payments of the Award will be made on a pro-rata basis.

Recipients are expected to maintain a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 5.0 or above 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:

- if a student no longer meets the eligibility requirements;
- at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 2;
- on the date on which the recipient withdraws or ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences;
- 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 changes their program or course without permission to retain the Award;
- (g) if a recipient fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements; or
- (h) 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 College Dean 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**

13. Recipients are responsible for seeking independent taxation advice regarding their own individual circumstances. Recipients receiving Centrelink benefits should be aware that student financial awards may affect their Centrelink payments. Student financial awards are regarded as taxable income if a recipient is enrolled on a part-time basis.

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>

## **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 Systems and Society or ANU Communications and Engagement (ACE).

## **16. CONTACT WITH THE AWARD OWNER**

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

*ANU College of Systems and Society*

Email: [education.css@anu.edu.au](mailto:education.css@anu.edu.au)

## 17. DISCLAIMER

The recipient of the Award is subject to *The Australian National University Act 1991* as amended, and to the Statutes, Rules, Regulations, Policies and Procedures 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.

## 18. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES & RULES

ANU Student Financial Awards Policy -

[https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP\\_007803](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](https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_009607)

ANU Academic Integrity Policy - [https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP\\_6477101](https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_6477101)

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