



Australian
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JOY PETERS AND REENA WALIA DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the ANU College of Systems and Society ('the College') may offer an award known as the Joy Peters and Reena Walia Diversity Scholarship ('the Award').

The objective of the Award is to support first-year women seeking to study Engineering or Computer Science at ANU who are experiencing financial or other disadvantages.

Funding for this Award has been provided by Joy Peters and Reena Walia to recognise and acknowledge their parents, whose encouragement and sacrifice made it possible for them to attend ANU. The Donors seek to support a diverse College and University student community, representative of the populations from which those students come and which they may ultimately serve.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the Award is stated in your letter of offer. The duration of the Award is one year and is paid in the first year of the recipient's undergraduate Engineering and/or Computer Science degree. The Award is paid in two 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 student;
- (b) identifies as a woman;
- (c) has completed or is completing their Year 12 or equivalent qualification and has not enrolled in any undergraduate degree program prior to commencing at the University;
- (d) is enrolling in an undergraduate Engineering and/or Computing single or flexible double degree offered by the ANU College of Systems and Society; and
- (e) has experienced financial or other disadvantages and is eligible for 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.

5. SELECTION

Only applicants who meet all the eligibility criteria will be considered. Selection is made on the basis of lowest ICSEA attended in the final years of schooling. Other factors may be taken into account where they align with the University's strategic objectives to ensure a diverse student cohort such as applicants who have the highest severity of adjustment factors and those who have received adjustment factors for a combination of disadvantages.

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 18 to 24 units per semester. A recipient requests permission, in writing, from the College Dean or Dean's delegate to hold the Award on a part-time basis. If approved, payments of the Award will be made on a pro-rata basis.

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 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 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 or Dean's delegate 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. 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>

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://www.anu.edu.au/study/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 Systems and Society or ANU Communications and Engagement (ACE).

15. DISCLOSURE AND DONOR CONTACT

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

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

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>