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ANU Project 89 Scholarship

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the ANU may offer a number of awards known as the ANU Project 89 PhD Scholarship ('the Award').

Funding for this Award has been provided jointly by the Vietnam Government and the Australian National University ('the University', ANU).

The objective of the Award is to support high-achieving Vietnamese candidates to pursue a Doctor of Philosophy program at the ANU. The program aims to address Vietnam's future industry and workforce needs, prioritising key research areas.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the Award is stated in the letter of offer. The Award will be paid in fortnightly instalments, unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer.

The University will provide the following benefits:

- A. **Supplementary Scholarship:** A recipient may be awarded a supplementary living allowance up to the value of the ANU standard [Australian Government Research Training Program \(AGRTP\) stipend scholarship](#) to supplement the Project 89 funding. The Award is indexed each year on 1 January; and
- B. **Higher Degree Research (HDR) Fee Remission Merit Scholarship:** An International recipient may be recommended for an HDR Fee Remission Merit Scholarship to cover the International Student Fees for the standard duration of the Higher Degree Research (HDR) program subject to the recipient being ranked as competitive in a merit-based selection process; and/or

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. DURATION

The duration of the full-time Award will be:

- (a) For Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) 3.5 years for the Supplementary Scholarship; less
 - i. periods of enrolment already undertaken for the PhD degree; and/or
 - ii. such shorter period as is stated in the letter of offer.

4. EXTENSION

There is no extension available to the supplementary scholarship. The Candidate may apply for an extension of their program in accordance with the *Research Awards Rule* and other relevant ANU policy and procedure.

The candidate may apply for an extension of the Fee Remission Merit Scholarship only where research has been delayed by circumstances beyond the candidate's control. This

must be submitted at least three months prior to the expiry of the award and is subject to approval.

5. PROGRAM LEAVE

Periods of program leave must be taken in accordance with the *Research Awards Rule*.

(a) Unpaid Program Leave

A recipient may apply for unpaid program leave on personal grounds. If the leave does not exceed a total period of 12 months during the duration of the Award, the recipient may resume the Award at the completion of the leave.

Program leave exceeding a total of 12 months will only be considered where there are exceptional circumstances beyond the control of the recipient and must be approved by the Delegated Authority in the College.

Unpaid program leave is aggregated and awarded only in one-week blocks for a full-time recipient and two-week blocks for a part-time recipient.

A recipient must apply for unpaid program and scholarship leave by completing the relevant section of the Manage my Degree - HDR form in ANUHub.

6. ELIGIBILITY

The Award is available each year to a prospective international ANU student who:

- (a) is enrolled or enrolling full-time in a program of study for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in person at ANU; and
- (b) has demonstrated H1 equivalence
- (c) be nominated to receive the Project 89 Vietnam government scholarship

Research must be undertaken in the year the Award is granted.

7. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

No application for the Award is required as eligible students who have indicated their interest will be automatically considered.

8. SELECTION

Selection is made on the basis of:

- (a) academic merit, referee reports and other evidence; and
- (b) demonstrated intention to meet the Objective/s; and
- (c) discipline research interests.

9. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS

A recipient is permitted to hold other scholarships, awards, grants and bursaries concurrently with this Award, provided the terms of the other scholarship permits this also.

However a recipient may not receive another allowance, award, grant or bursary to undertake the proposed program, which exceeds the value of 75 per cent of the Award stipend.

10. DEFERMENT

The Award cannot be deferred.

11. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

A recipient of this Award is required to remain enrolled full-time in an eligible program of study for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the Australian National University.

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Recipients must be a citizen or permanent resident of Vietnam at the time of application.

12. SUSPENSION OF AWARD

A recipient may apply to the College for suspension of their Award. A suspension may be appropriate if a recipient is studying at another institution and receives an award for that study. In these circumstances the duration of the Award will be reduced by the periods of study undertaken towards the degree during suspension of the Award (unless the study was undertaken overseas as part of a Commonwealth Government financially supported international postgraduate research scholarship or award).

The University may suspend the Award where a recipient has:

- (a) outstanding fees; or
- (b) an outstanding debt with the University; or
- (c) outstanding HDR program milestone/s; or
- (d) been found to be in breach of a statute, rule or policy or procedure of the University.

The Award will be suspended when at least five working days have passed since the University advised the recipient in writing that the milestones, debt and/or fees are outstanding, until the milestones have been met or the outstanding fees and/or debt have been paid. Under these circumstances, the recipient will forfeit payment of the Award for the period of time that their Award is suspended.

13. 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 3;
- (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 5;
- (e) if a recipient changes their program or course without permission to retain the Award;
- (f) if a recipient breaches academic or behavioural standards set by the University under the *Discipline Rule* (2021) and *Academic Integrity Rule* (2021);

whichever is earliest.

14. REPAYMENT OF FUNDS

A recipient who is taking leave from their program, or changing their enrolment intensity from full-time to part-time, must submit the prescribed [Manage My Degree - HDR](#) form in a timely manner and, where possible in advance, in order to avoid receiving an overpayment of their Award. In circumstances where an overpayment does occur, these will be recovered in accordance with the ANU Procedure - Overpayments.

15. PROVIDING FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION

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.

16. VARIATION TO CONDITIONS OF AWARD

In exceptional circumstances and on a case-by-case basis, section 7 of these Conditions of Award may be varied by the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Graduate Research) on the recommendation of the chair of the selection committee.

17. TAXATION & CENTRELINK

Recipients are responsible for seeking taxation and Centrelink advice (if applicable) regarding their own individual circumstances. Awards may be regarded as taxable income if a recipient is enrolled on a part-time basis.

For information on how the Award may affect Centrelink benefits, see this website <http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/enablers/income/>

18. 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>

19. PUBLICITY

The recipient may be requested to participate in publicity for the Award from time to time. This may include publicity in the country 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 local area or ANU Communications and Engagement (ACE).

Recipients will also be required to acknowledge funding from the Award should the outcomes lead to publication.

20. DISCLOSURE AND DONOR CONTACT

For the purposes of reporting on the impact of 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.

21. CONTACT WITH THE AWARD OWNER

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

Graduate Research School
hdr.candidature@anu.edu.au

22. 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 *Research Awards Rule 2021* and Higher Degree Research Policy and Procedures available from the [ANU website](#).

23. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES & RULES

HDR Legislation, policies and procedures - <https://www.anu.edu.au/students/program-administration/assessments-exams/hdr-policies-procedures>

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HDR Scholarships Policy - https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_7926387

HDR Scholarships Procedure - https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_7926390

ANU Academic Integrity Rule - <https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2021L00997>

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

ANU Student Code of Conduct <https://www.anu.edu.au/students/program-administration/program-management/student-code-of-conduct>



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ACCEPTANCE OF OFFER

I _____ (print name) hereby accept the offer of the ANU Project 89 Scholarship on the conditions set out in your letter of _____ (date) and in the *ANU Project 89 Scholarship Conditions of Award* (15/2025).

I have read and understood the Conditions of Award and agree to be bound by them. I acknowledge that no undertakings regarding the award beyond the terms of this letter and the Conditions of Award are authorised or will be binding on the University unless they are contained in an official letter from the Graduate Research Office, Office of the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Graduate Research).

Print Name	Signature	ANU Student ID	Date