



**Australian  
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## **R.G. MENZIES SCHOLARSHIP TO HARVARD CONDITIONS OF AWARD**

### **1. INTRODUCTION**

Each year the Harvard Club of Australia ('the HCA'), in partnership with the Australian National University ('ANU') may offer a number of awards known as the R.G. Menzies Scholarship to Harvard ('the Award').

The objective of the Award is to support talented Australians who have gained admission to a Harvard University graduate school and whose primary objective after graduation is to make a significant contribution to Australia's development.

Funding for this Award has been provided by the Harvard Club of Australia via the R.G. Menzies Scholarship Endowment Fund. The Fund was established by the HCA in 1967 as a means of honouring a great Australian Statesman and furthering Australian/American relations.

### **2. BENEFITS**

The value of the Award is stated in your letter of offer and is ultimately dependent on the subsequent funding the recipient may receive in financial aid from Harvard University.

### **3. ELIGIBILITY**

The Award is available each year to an applicant who:

- (a) is a graduate with a bachelor degree from an Australian University or other recognised Australian tertiary institution;
- (b) is a graduate with Honours (or equivalent demonstration of academic excellence);
- (c) is an Australian, or Australian permanent resident, and normally resides in Australia;
- (d) has not previously and/or is not currently enrolled in a postgraduate degree course at a United States University;
- (e) has applied for and has been admitted to a full-time residential postgraduate degree program at Harvard University;
- (f) intends to attend their Harvard University program in person;
- (g) intends to return to Australia after the completion of their studies at Harvard; or while working overseas in a representational capacity on behalf of Australia; and
- (h) must not have accepted or be planning to accept another major scholarship (other than directly from ANU or Harvard) of more than USD 30,000. Such scholarships include, but are not limited to, Fullbright, Frank Knox, Ramsay and Monash awards.

### **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)

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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 based on academic merit, qualities of leadership and breadth of vision as demonstrated by their passion and commitment to making a significant contribution to the development of Australia.

The Award is offered to a candidate by a Selection Committee comprising not more than six persons, with three appointed by the Vice-Chancellor of the Australian National University and three appointed by the HCA.

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 scholarships provided there is no conflict with Section 3(h), and advice is given to HCA via their administrator at <https://hcaustralia.clubs.harvard.edu>.

## **7. DEFERMENT**

The Award cannot be deferred.

## **8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY**

A recipient of this Award is required to enrol, and maintain enrolment, in a course load that complies with the program requirements as set out in their respective School's enrolment guidelines.

Recipients are expected to maintain a level of academic performance that meets the program requirements of their respective School's ongoing eligibility guidelines. Each scholar shall provide the Award Selection Committee with a progress report (including an official statement of academic results for coursework) at the conclusion of each academic year.

The scholar must advise the secretary of the Selection Committee immediately if circumstances arise that interrupt the scholar's pursuit of the course in that year.

## **9. CESSATION OF AWARD**

The Award ceases or should be surrendered:

- (a) on the date on which the recipient withdraws or ceases to attend Harvard University other than for approved absences;
- (b) if a recipient fails to enrol as required in section 8;
- (c) 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 or approved nominee may request that a payment, up to the full amount of the Award, be refunded in part or in full if the scholar does not pursue the approved course of study at Harvard University for at least the first academic year, or if there is a breach of the conditions or withdrawal from the program.

## **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. 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 HCA on the recommendation of the Chair of the Selection Committee.

## **13. 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 generally 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 whilst studying at Harvard University.

## **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 Harvard Club of Australia or the ANU Marketing and Communications Division.

A recipient of the Award may be invited to attend a meeting of HCA, in which case HCA shall be responsible for reasonable travel and accommodation expenses.

## **16. PRIVACY CONSENT**

The Scholar agrees that ANU may share their personal information (as defined in the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth)) with the Selection Committee to evaluate applications and make selection decisions. This means that the Scholar agrees to relevant personal information being shared with Committee members external to the University, as detailed in section 5, to evaluate applications and make selection decisions. The University will take reasonable measures to ensure the Selection Committee complies with the Australian Privacy Principles when handling Scholars' personal information.

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

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

*ANU Coursework Scholarships Office*

*Email: [philanthropic.scholarships@anu.edu.au](mailto:philanthropic.scholarships@anu.edu.au)*