



**Australian  
National  
University**

## **WESTPAC FUTURE LEADERS SCHOLARSHIP (POSTGRADUATE COURSEWORK)**

### **CONDITIONS OF AWARD**

#### **1. INTRODUCTION**

To mark Westpac's 200th anniversary, the bank gave a gift to the Nation. A \$100 million dollars to fund 100 scholarships a year, forever which became Westpac Scholars Trust. And it's through Westpac Scholars Trust, that they invest in the next generation of leaders who will shape the future of Australia.

Each year, the Westpac Scholars Trust may offer a number of awards known as the Westpac Future Leaders Scholarship.

The objective of the Award is to support Australia's future leaders by providing an enriching postgraduate experience for talented individuals to study at one of Australia's leading universities.

Funding for this Award is provided by Westpac Scholars Trust.

#### **2. BENEFITS**

The value and duration of the Award is stated in the Westpac Scholars Trust letter of offer and published on the Westpac Future Leaders Scholarship webpage. The Award is paid at the beginning of each semester in accordance with your approved budget, unless otherwise specified in the letter of offer.

The student is responsible for payment of all tuition fees by the prescribed date as set out by the University each session. All costs for books, study materials, accommodation, and other study-related expenses are the responsibility of the student.

#### **3. ELIGIBILITY**

The award is available each year to a commencing or continuing ANU student who meets the eligibility requirements set out by the Westpac Scholars Trust, as published on the Westpac Scholars Trust website and in the associated Funding Guidelines

#### **4. APPLICATION**

The application process is outlined in the Westpac Future Leaders Scholarship Guidelines published on the Westpac Scholars Trust website and ANU Scholarships website.

#### **5. SELECTION**

Only applicants who meet all the eligibility criteria will be considered. Selection is made based on applicants meeting the eligibility criteria provided by the Westpac Scholars Trust. ANU assists in selecting the top 4 candidates for nomination. Additional factors may be considered such as academic merit.

The Selection committee reserves the right to make no award if it considers there is no applicant of sufficient merit. The awardees are determined by the Westpac Scholars Trust.

#### **6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS**

A student of the Award is permitted to hold concurrent student financial awards as outlined in the ANU scholarships, grants and bursaries (coursework) procedure.

## **7. DEFERMENT**

The award cannot be deferred.

## **8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY**

Enrolment in 24 units per study period is required to remain eligible for this Award.

Written permission must be obtained from the Westpac Scholars Trust to hold the Award on a part-time basis. If approved, payments will be made on a pro-rata basis.

A Grade Point Average (GPA) of 5.0 or above must be maintained each semester (with the average being across all courses taken in a particular semester or session/s overlapping that semester).

If the required GPA is not met in any semester, a formal warning will be issued.

If the student does not meet the required GPA in a subsequent semester, the Award may be suspended or terminated.

Before suspension or cessation, an opportunity will be provided to outline performance concerns and proposed remediation steps.

## **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 student withdraws or ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences;
- (d) if a student fails to enrol as required in section 8;
- (e) if a student changes to part-time enrolment without receiving permission to retain the Award;
- (f) if a student changes the program or course without permission to retain the Award;
- (g) if a student fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements; or
- (h) if a student breaches academic or behavioural standards set by the University under the Student academic integrity Policy and/or the Discipline Rule;
- (i) if a student breaches the Westpac Scholars Trust Scholar Code of Conduct or other conduct requirements set out in the Westpac Scholars Trust Letter of Offer (as amended from time to time);
- (j) if it is identified that the student has breached the financial cap for student financial awards (including scholarships, grants, and bursaries), as outlined in the [University's Student financial awards policy](#);

whichever is earliest.

## **10. 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.

## **11. 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 Westpac Scholars Trust.

## 12. TAXATION

Students are responsible for seeking independent taxation advice regarding individual circumstances. Students receiving Centrelink benefits should be aware that student financial awards may affect Centrelink payments. Student financial awards are generally regarded as taxable income if a student 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 student'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: <https://study.anu.edu.au/accommodation>

## 14. PUBLICITY

The student 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. Students may be contacted for an interview and photograph. The University may also publicise the Award by publishing the names of the students. Arrangements for such publicity will be made through the ANU Coursework Scholarships Office, International and Future Students Division or ANU Marketing and Communications Division.

## 15. PRIVACY CONSENT

The student agrees that ANU may share the student's 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 student 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 students' personal information.

## 16. 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, International and Future Students Division*  
Email: [philanthropic.scholarships@anu.edu.au](mailto:philanthropic.scholarships@anu.edu.au)

## 17. DISCLAIMER

The student 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 the ANU scholarships, grants and bursaries (coursework) procedure available from the ANU website.

## 18. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES & RULES

Policy: Student financial awards - [https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP\\_007803](https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_007803)

Procedure: Scholarships, grants and bursaries (coursework) -  
[https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP\\_009607](https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_009607)

Policy: Student Academic Integrity-  
[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>