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PETER SHARP SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

The School of Medicine and Psychology ('the School') within the College of Science and Medicine ('the College') may offer an award known as the Peter Sharp Scholarship ('the Award').

The objective of the Award is to assist an Indigenous student to undertake the Doctor of Medicine and Surgery program (8950XMCHD) at the Australian National University ('ANU').

Funding for this Award has been provided by the ACT Government and the ANU School of Medicine and Psychology.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the Award is stated in the letter of offer. The duration of the Award is up to four years. The Award is paid in equal instalments after the census date each semester unless otherwise stated 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 to a commencing ANU student who:

- a) is a domestic student;
- b) is of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent;
- c) identifies as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person;
- d) is accepted as such by the community in which they live, or formally lived; and
- e) is a medical student enrolled in the Doctor of Medicine and Surgery (8950XMCHD) at the ANU.

4. APPLICATION

There is no application as students are automatically considered based on meeting the eligibility criteria and conditions prescribed under the Eligibility section.

5. SELECTION

Only applicants who meet all the eligibility criteria will be considered. Selection is made based on academic merit and aligned with the University's strategic objectives to ensure a diverse student cohort.

The Award is offered to a student by a Selection Committee chaired by the Chair of the Indigenous Health Framework, Doctor of Medicine and Surgery program, which will also include the Director, School of Medicine and Psychology and at least one other member of the administration who is responsible for delivering the Doctor of Medicine and Surgery program.

The Selection Committee reserves the right to make no award where 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 alternate times in exceptional circumstances or based on the applicant pool, where funds allow.

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 student is expected to take up their Award in the semester for which it is offered. Any request for deferral of the Award must be approved by the Director, School of Medicine and Psychology within the ANU College of Science and Medicine. Subject to approval, the Award may be deferred for a maximum of 12 months.

8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

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

Academic progress rules and policies relevant to the program of study must be met to retain the Award.

If academic progress requirements are not met in any semester, a formal warning will be issued.

If academic progress requirements are not met in a subsequent semester, the Award may be suspended or ceased.

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;
- (f) if a student changes their program or course;
- (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 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. REPAYMENT OF FUNDS

Subject to the information available at the time, the Director, School of Medicine and Psychology within the ANU College of Science and Medicine 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. VARIATION TO CONDITIONS OF AWARD

In exceptional circumstances and on a case-by-case basis, section 8 of these Conditions of Award may be varied by the School of Medicine and Psychology within the ANU College of Science and Medicine on the recommendation of the Chair of the Selection Committee.

13. 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>

14. 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: <http://www.anu.edu.au/study/accommodation>

15. 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 School of Medicine and Psychology within the ANU College of Science and Medicine or the ANU Marketing and Communications Division.

16. DISCLOSURE AND DONOR CONTACT

To report on the impact of student financial awards, the student's name, program of study, and broad demographic information (for example: age, country or town of residence) may be disclosed to donors supporting the Award. This will not include student contact details. The student may be asked to write a personal note of thanks or to meet with donors. Any contact between a donor and a student will be facilitated by the ANU Advancement Office or an authorised representative of the University. .

17. CONTACT WITH THE AWARD OWNER

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

School of Medicine and Psychology, ANU College of Science and Medicine

Email: admissions.smp@anu.edu.au

18. 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.

19. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES & RULES

Policy: Student financial awards - https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_007803

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

Policy: Student Academic Integrity- https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_6477101

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