



ANU PhD Supplementary Scholarships: Cultures of the Cryosphere CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

The objective of this Award is to provide support to two outstanding domestic candidates to enable them to pursue a PhD program in Sociology based in the School of Sociology, Research School of Social Sciences.

The supplementary scholarship is provided by the *Cultures of the Cryosphere: Infrastructures, Politics and Futures of Artificial Cooling* Project, funded by the ERC Synergy Grant Nr 101118625 (2024–2030).

The successful students are encouraged to develop a research proposal that aligns with the *Cultures of the Cryosphere* project aims. One project will focus on air conditioning overload in urban settings in the context of climate change, and one project will focus on tracing cold chain logistics associated with reproductive bioresources. Both project will be under the supervision of Professor Bronwyn Parry.

2. BENEFITS

Value: \$10,000 per annum. The Award will be paid in fortnightly instalments unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer.

The Award may contain any or all of the following benefits:

A. **Supplementary Scholarship:** A recipient may be awarded a supplementary scholarship equivalent to \$10,000 per annum.

B. **Fieldwork Support:**

In addition to RSSS HDR fieldwork funding support, additional funding support for fieldwork will be provided by the Cultures of the Cryosphere Project of up to \$10,000, which is subject to funding availability and the requirements of the project's fieldwork objectives. A recipient may apply for a reimbursement for fieldwork support by submitting the following documents to the research project manager, Cultures of the Cryosphere Project (Rebecca.williamson@anu.edu.au).

- i. fieldwork plan approved by the Primary Supervisor;
- ii. travel summary; and
- iii. original tax invoice/receipts.

C. **Additional Conference Support:** Some funding for conference and project workshop travel will also be provided by the Cultures of the Cryosphere Project of up to \$10,000, which is subject to funding availability and the requirements of the project's research, collaboration and dissemination objectives. A recipient may apply for a reimbursement for conference support by submitting the following documents to the research project manager, Cultures of the Cryosphere Project (Rebecca.williamson@anu.edu.au).

- i. Presentation/poster approved by the Primary Supervisor;
- ii. Travel and accommodation summary; and
- iii. original tax invoice/receipts.

3. DURATION

- a) The duration of the full-time Award will be 3.5 years, less
 - i. periods of enrolment already undertaken for the degree; and/or
 - ii. such shorter period as is stated in the letter of offer.
- b) Extension
A recipient may apply for an extension of the stipend scholarship by completing the [Manage my Degree - HDR](#) form. The maximum period of extension is 6 months.

4. 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 HDR leave request form in ANUHub.

b) Paid Recreation Leave

A recipient is entitled to a maximum of 20 working days paid recreation leave for each year of the Award. Leave entitlements may be accrued over the life of the Award but are forfeited when the Award ceases.

A recipient must apply in writing to their Chair of Panel.

Paid recreation leave does not extend the duration of the Award.

c) Paid Medical Leave

A recipient is entitled to a maximum of 10 working days paid medical leave for each year of the Award. Leave entitlements may be accrued over the life of the Award but are forfeited when the Award ceases.

A recipient must apply in writing to their Chair of Panel.

Paid medical leave does not extend the duration of the Award.

d) Additional Paid Leave

A recipient is entitled to additional paid medical or carer's leave to a maximum of 60 working days, over the duration of the scholarship, on provision of a medical certificate. Medical certificates must:

- i. be signed by a registered medical practitioner;
- ii. state the likely duration of the required leave; and
- iii. certify that the recipient requires the leave for medical/caring reasons.

Additional paid medical leave is aggregated and awarded only in one-week blocks for a full-time recipients and two-week blocks for a part-time recipients.

A recipient may apply for additional paid medical leave by completing the relevant section of the HDR leave request form in ANUHub.

Additional paid leave extends the duration of the Award.

e) Paid Parental Leave

Recipients who have completed 12 months of their Award and are the primary caregiver of a new child (by birth or legal adoption) are entitled to a maximum of 60 working days paid parental leave, over the duration of the scholarship.

Paid parental leave is aggregated and awarded only in one-week blocks for a full-time recipients and two-week blocks for a part-time recipient.

Recipients may apply for paid parental leave by completing the relevant section of the HDR leave request form in ANUHub.

Paid parental leave extends the period of duration of the Award.

f) Paid Partner Parental Leave

Recipients who have completed 12 months of their Award and who are the partner of a person who is the primary caregiver of a new child (by birth or legal adoption) may be entitled to five days paid partner parental leave over the duration of the scholarship. The University may require the recipient to provide evidence of the date of birth or adoption.

Paid partner parental leave is aggregated and awarded only in one-week blocks for a full-time recipients and two-week blocks for a part-time recipient.

Recipients may apply for paid partner parental leave by completing the relevant section of the HDR leave request form in ANUHub.

Paid partner parental leave extends the duration of the Award.

5. ELIGIBILITY

The Award will be available each year to a prospective or continuing domestic student who:

- a) is enrolled or enrolling full-time in a program of study for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy based in the Research School of Social Science and
- b) has been awarded a Bachelor degree with first-class honours or a Master degree with a research component or equivalent from a recognised university

- c) has been successful in applying for a base ANU HDR scholarship, such as AG RTP, URS or ANU.

6. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applications shall be called for with a closing date as set by the School of Sociology. The closing date, and application instructions will be advertised on the University scholarship webpage.

7. SELECTION

Selection will be made on the basis of:

- a) academic merit and research potential, based on their academic record, referee reports and other evidence; and
- b) effective use of funds; and
- c) demonstrated intention to meet the Objective/s; and
- d) discipline research interests.

The selection committee will be chaired by the Dean of the College of Arts and Social Sciences and will include at least two senior academic staff from across the University.

The selection committee may make no Award if it considers there is no student of sufficient merit. Where funds permit, the selection committee may also:

- a) vary the number of Awards; and/or
- b) offer the Award at other times.

8. 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.

9. DEFERMENT

The Award must be taken up no later than the date specified in the letter of offer, unless otherwise approved.

10. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

A recipient 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.

A part-time Award may be offered or approved if the recipient has reasons acceptable to the University which preclude full-time study for part or all of the program of study. In such cases the University must be satisfied that the reasons relate to caring commitments, a medical condition, a disability or other circumstance which limits the recipient's capacity to undertake full-time study.

11. 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 5 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.

12. END OF AWARD

The Award ends:

- a) at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 3; or
 - b) on submission of the thesis for examination; or
 - c) on the date on which the recipient withdraws or ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences; or
- may be terminated if a recipient is found to be in breach of a statute, rule, policy or procedure of the University.

13. 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.

14. PROVIDING FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION

The offer of the Award is based on the information provided by the student to the University. An 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 of the Award.

15. VARIATION TO CONDITIONS OF AWARD

In exceptional circumstances, these Conditions of Award may be varied by the Dean on the recommendation of the Chair of the selection committee.

16. TAXATION AND CENTRELINK

Recipients are responsible for seeking taxation and Centrelink advice regarding their own individual circumstances. Scholarships, grants or awards may be regarded as taxable income in some circumstances.

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

17. 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 at:
<http://www.anu.edu.au/students/services/accommodation>

18. PUBLICITY

A recipient may be invited to participate in publicity for the Award from time to time, including an interview and photograph.

19. CONTACT WITH THE COLLEGE

All enquiries regarding the Award should be made to:

Bronwyn Parry, Dean of the College of Arts and Social Sciences
Bronwyn.parry@anu.edu.au

20. NOTE

A recipient of this Award is subject to *The Australian National University Act 1991* and to the Statutes, Rules, policies and procedures of the University as amended from time to time.

Receipt of this Award does not indicate any commitment by the University for conferral of the recipient's award, or of future employment.

21. IMPORTANT POLICIES, PROCEDURES, RULES & RESOURCES

HDR legislation, policies and procedures

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

Research Scholarship Information (including reimbursement and claim forms) -

<http://www.anu.edu.au/students/scholarships-support/research-scholarship-information>



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ACCEPTANCE OF OFFER

Scholarship Name (Document Number)

I _____ (print name) accept the offer of an ANU RSSS PhD Supplementary Scholarship: Cultures of the Cryosphere on the conditions set out in your letter of _____ (date) and in the ANU RSSS PhD Supplementary Scholarship: Cultures of the Cryosphere *Conditions of Award* (document #).

I have read and understood the Conditions of Award. I acknowledge that no undertakings regarding the Award beyond the terms of this letter and the Conditions of Award are authorised unless they are contained in an official letter from the Graduate Research Office, Office of the Dean, Higher Degree Research.

Print Name

Signature

ANU Student ID

Date