



BERNARD WHEELAHAN LATIN AMERICAN TRAVEL GRANT

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences (“the college”) may offer an award known as the Bernard Wheelahan Latin American Travel Grant (“the award”).

The objective of the award is to assist a student with costs associated with travel to and within Latin America for the purposes of undertaking fieldwork, or an exchange or internship.

Funding for this award has been provided by a bequest to the Australian National Centre for Latin American Studies (ANCLAS) through the generosity of Pacific-Hydro Pty Ltd.

Mr Bernard Wheelahan chaired the Council on Australia-Latin America Relations from its inception in 2001 until 2010. He has had extensive business experience in Latin America and has been a major force in strengthening ties between Australia and the region.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the award is stated in your letter of offer. The award will be payable in one instalment upon acceptance of the offer to enable the recipient to travel at the beginning of semester, unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer.

Travel insurance will be covered by ANU for travel that has been approved by the appropriate delegated authority. Students are strongly advised to consult the University’s Travel Insurance Policy and should consider seeking advice from the University’s Insurance Officer before finalising travel arrangements.

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 this award are responsible for the costs of books, study materials, accommodation and all other costs of study.

3. ELIGIBILITY

The award is available each year to a continuing ANU student who is:

- (a) a domestic or international student
- (b) enrolled in an undergraduate, postgraduate or HDR program;
- (c) enrolled in an approved exchange or internship program within Latin America, or
- (d) is a PhD student travelling to Latin America, including the Caribbean islands, in order to undertake in-country research (eg fieldwork, archival work, study of museum collections)

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) must be submitted on, or prior to, the closing date published on the ANU scholarships website.

5. SELECTION

Selection is made on the basis of academic merit and application. The committee will consider who has displayed, in their application, the highest level of understanding of Latin American issues in their field of study. Other factors such as the student's potential may also be taken into account.

The award is offered to a student by a selection committee chaired by the Director of the Australian National Centre for Latin American Studies which will also include at least two other members academic staff members as appropriate.

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 funding allows).

6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS

A recipient of the Bernard Wheelahan Travel Grant is permitted to hold concurrent scholarships.

7. DEFERMENT

The award cannot be deferred.

8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

Recipients are expected to successfully complete the approved exchange, internship program or in-country research project in Latin America.

9. CESSATION OF AWARD

The award ceases or should be surrendered:

- (a) at the conclusion of the travel in Latin America.
- (b) on the date on which the recipient withdraws or ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences;
- (c) if a recipient fails to undertake the exchange or internship program;
- (d) if a recipient breaches academic or behavioural standards set by the University under the Academic Misconduct & Discipline Rules;

whichever is earliest.

10. REPAYMENT OF FUNDS

If the conditions of award are breached, subject to the information available at the time, the Dean of the College may request that the payment be refunded in part or in full.

11. PROVIDING FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION

The awarding of a grant is based on the information provided 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 in awarding the grant.

12. VARIATION TO CONDITIONS OF AWARD

In exceptional circumstances and on a case-by-case basis section 6 and/or 7 of these conditions of award may be varied by the Dean on the recommendation of the Chair of Selection Committee.

13. TAXATION & CENTRELINK

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

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

14. 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 ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences or Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Office of the University.

15. CONTACT WITH THE COLLEGE

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

*Scholarships and Prizes Officer
College of Arts and Social Sciences*

Email: awards.cass@anu.edu.au

16. DISCLAIMER

The recipient of this 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 of a scholarship/grant does not carry any commitment by the University for future employment.

These conditions of award should be read in conjunction with the University's Coursework Scholarships Policy & Procedures available from the ANU website.

17. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES & RULES

ANU Coursework Scholarship Policy -

https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_007803

ANU Coursework Scholarship Procedure -

https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_009607

ANU Academic Misconduct Rule - <https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2015L02025>

ANU Discipline Rule - <https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2015L02046>