

**THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY**  
ANU COLLEGE OF SCIENCE  
**ANJELI NATHAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
CONDITIONS OF AWARD

**1. INTRODUCTION**

The Anjeli Nathan Memorial Scholarship commemorates the life of Anjeli Nathan, a brilliant student who sadly was killed doing the field research she loved. It is given to promote the study of field-based biology at The Australian National University, primarily in the Division of Evolution, Ecology & Genetics (EEG) within the Research School of Biology.

The scholarship may be used to assist the student either to undertake the Honours Program or to gain fieldwork experience after the successful completion of the degree with Honours.

**2. VALUE**

The value of the scholarship shall be outlined in the formal scholarship offer letter. The value will not be less than A\$5,000 per annum.

From time to time, the Selection Committee shall review the value of the scholarship and shall act on the advice of the Office for the Endowment for Excellence.

The scholarship shall be paid either:

- (a) in equal instalments during the period that the scholar is enrolled in Honours;  
or
- (b) if the successful applicant chooses to use the scholarship to gain fieldwork experience following completion of the degree with Honours, as one lump sum before the approved program of fieldwork commences.

**3. SCHOLARSHIP DURATION**

For a scholar enrolled in the Honours Program, the scholarship is tenable for two full-time semesters or four part-time semesters of enrolment in the Honours program for which it has been awarded.

For a scholar undertaking post-Honours fieldwork, the scholarship is tenable for the duration of the approved fieldwork program.

**4. ELIGIBILITY**

The scholarship shall be awarded to:

- i. an outstanding applicant who has been accepted to study behavioural ecology or conservation biology for an Honours Program within The Australian National University; or
- ii. an outstanding applicant who is within twelve months, as at the closing date, of having completed the degree of Bachelor of Science with Honours at The Australian National University.

In both cases, preference will be given to applicants based or co-supervised in EEG during their Honours year.



## **5. SELECTION**

The award of the scholarship shall be made on the basis of the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising behavioural ecologists working in EEG and chaired by the Head, EEG, The Australian National University.

The scholarship shall be awarded on the basis of academic merit and on a written proposal submitted to the Head of EEG by 30 November by applicants who are completing their third year, or are within twelve months of having completed the degree with Honours in EEG.

Preference will be given to applicants undertaking or contributing to a project in the area of behavioural ecology. Projects in other biological disciplines that focus on behaviour, ecology, natural history or conservation will also be considered.

Projects involving long-term captivity, killing or surgery on animals will not be considered.

If, in any year, in the opinion of the Selection Committee there is no applicant of appropriate merit, the scholarship shall not be awarded in that year.

## **6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS/AWARDS**

The scholarship may not be held concurrently with another scholarship awarded specifically for Honours or providing a living allowance enabling study for Honours.

## **7. COMMENCEMENT & DEFERRAL**

It is a requirement that the scholarship be taken up in the year immediately after it is offered. Deferment of the scholarship is not permitted. A successful applicant who is unable to take up the scholarship may apply on another occasion, subject to any restrictions set out in this document.

## **8. ENROLMENT & ATTENDANCE**

If the scholarship is held by an enrolled student, that student may be enrolled on either a full-time or part-time basis.

The scholarship may be suspended on medical grounds provided approval has been given for program leave.

## **9. REPORTING**

At the completion of either the Honours Year or the post-Honours fieldwork, the successful applicant will be expected to provide a short report to the Selection Committee explaining how the scholarship assisted the project. The report will be made available to the Nathan family.

## **10. TERMINATION**

For a scholar enrolled in the Honours Program:

- (a) the scholarship terminates at the conclusion of the consecutive semesters for which it has been awarded or on the date which the scholar ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences, whichever is the earlier;
- or
- (b) the University may terminate the scholarship before this time if the scholar does not fulfil his or her obligations or if, in the opinion of the Associate Dean (Education), acting on the advice of the Head of EEG, satisfactory academic progress in Honours is not being made by the scholar.

For a scholar undertaking post-Honours fieldwork:

- (a) the scholarship terminates at the conclusion of the approved fieldwork program;
- or
- (b) the University may terminate the scholarship before this time if it is clear to the Associate Dean (Education), acting on the advice of the Head of EEG, that the conditions of the award of the scholarship have been breached.

If the scholarship is terminated, the Selection Committee shall determine whether any refund of scholarship monies is payable and may determine that the scholarship instalment for the semester in which the termination occurred be refunded by the scholar to the University in part or in full. In the case of a scholar on fieldwork the Selection Committee may determine that part or all of the scholarship money be refunded.

#### **11. TAXATION**

It is the scholar's responsibility to determine the taxation implications of the award, if any, which apply to his/her individual circumstances.

#### **12. ACCOMMODATION**

It is the scholar's responsibility to obtain residential accommodation. Information on student accommodation and application forms is available from the University Accommodation Services. Information may be found on the Web at: <http://accom.anu.edu.au/UAS/186.html>

#### **13. PUBLICITY**

On occasions, the scholar may be contacted by the College to participate in activities including, but not limited to, an interview, a photograph, and a formal Scholarship presentation ceremony. The College may also request written responses from the scholar that can include, but are not limited to, a summary of basic profile information, descriptions of University experiences, and a note of appreciation for the Donor who has funded their Scholarship.

The University may publicise the Scholarship by publishing the names of the scholars. Arrangements for such publicity will be made through the ANU College of Science and the ANU College of Health & Medicine and Development office.

#### **14. CONTACT WITH THE COLLEGE**

All enquiries regarding the scholarship and changes, deferment and further information after acceptance should be made to:

Research School of Biology  
Biology Teaching and Learning Centre  
The Australian National University  
116 Daley Road  
ACTON ACT 2601

Phone: +61 2 6125 2284  
Email: [rsb.studentadmin@anu.edu.au](mailto:rsb.studentadmin@anu.edu.au)



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#### **15. UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS**

The scholar is subject to *The Australian National University Act 1991* as amended, and to the Statutes, Rules, Regulations and Resolutions of the University.

#### **16. VARIATIONS TO CONDITIONS OF AWARD**

If the University should find that it is impossible or inexpedient to carry out or observe the terms of the Scholarship, or if EEG at The Australian National University ceases to exist, then the University will consult closely with and give full weight to the views of Robert Kailas Nathan or his heirs to vary the terms of the Anjeli Nathan Fund within the Endowment for Excellence.

#### **17. DISCLAIMER**

The award does not carry any commitment by the University for future employment.