



MARGARET THORP MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

In 2021, the Australian National University ('the University') may offer an award known as the Margaret Thorp Memorial Scholarship ('the Award').

The objective of the Award is to provide an opportunity for a prospective ANU undergraduate student facing financial hardship to access tertiary education.

Funding for this Award has been provided by Professor Rae Frances and Professor Bruce Scates in honour of the humanitarian and social justice advocate Margaret Thorp.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the Award is stated in your letter of offer. The duration of the Award is for five years or the length of the recipient's undergraduate degree. The Award is paid in two equal instalments after census date each semester unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer.

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 prospective ANU student who:

- (a) is a domestic student;
- (b) receives an offer of admission to an undergraduate program offered by the University;
- (c) has received adjustment factors for financial hardship.

4. APPLICATION

All applicants applying directly to ANU for admission through the ANU Admission Scholarship and Accommodation Application System will be automatically considered for the Award based on them meeting the eligibility criteria and electing to be considered for scholarships.

Where there are no eligible direct applicants or where the pool of eligible direct applicants has been exhausted, the Award may be offered to an eligible student applying for admission via the University Admissions Centre (UAC).

5. SELECTION

Selection is made on the basis of applicants meeting the eligibility criteria. Where there are more eligible candidates than there are Awards available, preference may be given (in order of priority) to:

- Refugees/humanitarian visa holders;
- Applicants from the lowest SEIFA;
- Applicants from the lowest ICSEA;
- Indigenous applicants

The Award is offered to a student by the University Coursework Scholarships Committee. Membership of this committee is outlined in the ANU Coursework Scholarships procedure.

The committee reserves the right to make no award if it considers there is no applicant of sufficient merit. The 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 funds allow).

6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS

A recipient of the Award is permitted to hold concurrent scholarships as outlined in the ANU Coursework Scholarships procedure.

7. DEFERMENT

The recipient is expected to take up their Award in the semester for which it is offered. Where there are reasonable circumstances, a recipient may make a case for deferral of the Award to the Registrar, Division of Student Administration & Academic Services. Subject to approval, the Award may be deferred for a maximum of one year.

8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

A recipient of this Award is required to enrol in a full-time load of 18-24 units per semester. A recipient requests permission, in writing, from the Dean of Students to hold the Award on a part-time basis. If approved, payments of the Award will be made on a pro-rata basis.

9. CESSATION OF AWARD

The award ceases or should be surrendered:

- (d) if a student no longer meets the eligibility requirements
- (e) at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 2; or
- (f) on the date on which the recipient withdraws or ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences;
- (g) if a recipient fails to enrol as required in section 8;
- (h) if a recipient changes to part-time enrolment without receiving permission to retain their scholarship;
- (i) if a recipient changes their program or course without permission;
- (j) 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

Subject to the information available at the time, the Registrar, Division of Student Administration & Academic Services 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

The awarding of a scholarship 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 scholarship.

12. 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 Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) on the recommendation of the Registrar, Division of Student Administration & Academic Services.

13. TAXATION & CENTRELINK

Recipients are responsible for seeking taxation and Centrelink advice regarding their own individual circumstances. Scholarships 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. 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 on the Web at:

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

15. 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 Coursework Scholarships Office or Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Office of the University.

16. DISCLOSURE AND DONOR CONTACT

For the purposes of reporting on the impact of scholarships, the name, program name and demographics (for example: age, country or town of residence) relating to a recipient of this Award may be disclosed to donors supporting the Award. This will not include recipient contact details. The recipient may be asked to write a personal note of thanks or to meet with donors. Any contact between a donor and a recipient will be facilitated by the ANU Advancement Office or an authorised representative of the University.

17. CONTACT WITH THE SCHOLARSHIP OWNER

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

ANU Coursework Scholarships Office

Email: coursework.scholarships@anu.edu.au

18. 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 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.

19. 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>