BACHOR UNDERGRADUATE SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Every second year the Australian National University (ANU) may offer an award known as the Bachor Undergraduate Science Scholarship.

The objectives of the award are;

- to actively outreach to those who have refugee status.
- to provide financial support to a person of disadvantage and who is in financial need;
- to help enable and encourage the recipient to continue their studies in the area of Science;

Funding for this award has been provided by Cornelia and Hans Bachor.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the award will be stated in the letter of offer. The duration of the award will be a maximum of three years. The award will be paid in equal instalments at the beginning of each semester, unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer.

The recipient is responsible for making payment of all his/her 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 will be available every second year to a prospective ANU student who is:

(a) a Permanent Humanitarian Visa Holder, a Temporary Humanitarian Visa Holder or an Australian Permanent Resident or Australian citizen who has arrived in Australia for the first time within the last 5 years; and

(b) enrolled/enrolling in an undergraduate degree program of study of science (excluding Medical Science) at the ANU;

(c) has not enrolled in any undergraduate degree program previous to commencing at the University;

4. APPLICATION

Applications shall be called for with a closing date advertised on the ANU website. The application shall be submitted on the prescribed electronic form.
5. **SELECTION**

Selection will be made on the basis of demonstration of disadvantage and financial need. Preference will be given to applicants:

(a) who had or have refugee status (and hold a refugee visa (subclass 200) or a Permanent Humanitarian Visa);

If there is no applicant (a), other factors will also be considered, such as applicants;

(b) who are from overseas and have little or no source(s) of support in Australia;

(c) from low socioeconomic backgrounds;

(d) who can evidence disadvantage in their background circumstances.

The award will be offered to a student by a selection committee chaired by the Deputy Director, Access, Inclusion and Wellbeing which will also include representatives of the donor and at least two other nominees from the relevant subject areas.

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.

6. **CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS**

A recipient of the Bachor Undergraduate Science Scholarship is not permitted to concurrently hold other scholarships, awards, grants and bursaries.

Failure to declare holding another award or scholarship may result in the scholar being required to refund a payment or payments to the College, as determined by the Deputy Director, Access, Inclusion and Wellbeing.

7. **DEFERMENT**

The award cannot be deferred.

8. **ONGOING ELIGIBILITY**

A recipient of this award will be required to enrol in a full time load per semester. A recipient, may request permission, in writing, from the Deputy Director, Access, Inclusion and Wellbeing to hold the award on a part-time basis. For recipients enrolled part-time, payments of the award will be made on a pro-rata basis.

Recipients are expected to maintain a grade point average (GPA) of 5.0 each semester (with the average being across all courses taken in a particular semester).

If a recipient is unable to achieve the required average in any semester they will be sent a formal warning.

If the recipient does not meet the required average in a subsequent semester they will risk having their award suspended or terminated.

Award recipients will be given the opportunity to explain their performance and how their performance can be remedied before a decision on the suspension or termination of an award is made.
9. CESSATION OF AWARD

The award ceases or should be surrendered:

(a) at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 2; or
(b) on the date on which the student withdraws or ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences;
(c) if an awardee fails to enrol as required in section 8;
(d) if an awardee changes their program or course without permission,
(e) if an awardee changes their part-time enrolment without permission;
(f) if an awardee fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements;
(g) if an awardee 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, acting on advice from the Deputy Director, Access, Inclusion and Wellbeing, 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/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 scholarship/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 Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) on the recommendation of the Registrar.

13. TAXATION & CENTRELINK

Award 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/](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://www.anu.edu.au/students/services/accommodation](http://www.anu.edu.au/students/services/accommodation)
15. **PUBLICITY**

The award 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 Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Office of the University.

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**


