BHAVITA PATEL UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Every three to five years the ANU College of Business and Economics (‘the College’) may offer an award known as the Bhavita Patel Undergraduate Scholarship (‘the award’).

The objectives of the scholarship are to:

- improve access to tertiary education for students who may not otherwise be able to attend ANU;
- recognise and reward academic excellence; and
- recognise and reward students who demonstrate a passion for learning and a commitment to community.

Funding for this scholarship has been provided by Deloitte Australia through the Deloitte Foundation, Deloitte staff, and Deloitte Australia.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the award is stated in your letter of offer. The duration of the award is for the period of the student’s undergraduate program, up to a maximum of five years. The award will be paid in equal instalments at the beginning of each semester unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer.

Only one student can hold the award at any one time.

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 and who:

(a) is an Australian citizen, New Zealand citizen, holder of an Australian Permanent Resident visa or a permanent humanitarian visa;

(b) is a current school leaver, aged 20 years or younger at the time of application;

(c) has applied for admission, and is intending to enrol in an undergraduate coursework program at the ANU College of Business and Economics through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC);

(d) achieves an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) of 85 or higher – excluding EAS bonus points;
(e) is eligible for Educational Access Scheme (EAS) financial disadvantage bonus points, and can demonstrate financial need through the UAC Equity Scholarships application process;

(f) is able, through a supporting statement, to demonstrate a passion for learning, and a commitment to community.

4. APPLICATION

Applications for this equity scholarship are made via the University Admissions Centre (UAC) at http://www.uac.edu.au/equity/. A supporting statement shall be submitted to the ANU College of Business and Economics via email at scholarships.cbe@anu.edu.au prior to the closing date as set by the College.

5. SELECTION

Selection is made on the basis of academic merit, level of disadvantage demonstrated and the applicant’s supporting statement.

The award is offered to a student by a Selection Committee chaired by the College Dean (or nominee), College academic staff and where possible the Donor or Donor’s representative. An interview of applicants may be required.

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 scholarships and/or offer the scholarship at other times in exceptional circumstances or based on the standard of applications or students.

6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF SCHOLARSHIPS

A recipient of the Bhavita Patel Undergraduate Scholarship is permitted to concurrently hold other scholarships, awards, grants and bursaries subject to the terms of the corresponding section in the Conditions of Award of the other scholarship/bursary/grant/award that they are holding.

Failure to declare and obtain permission to hold another award or scholarship may result in the scholar being required to refund a payment or payments to the College, as determined by the Dean of the College (or nominee).

7. DEFERMENT

The recipient must take up their scholarship in the semester for which it is offered. Any requests for deferrals of the scholarship must be approved by the Deputy Director, ANU Access and Inclusion Office under special circumstances such as medical grounds or personal hardship. Subject to approval, the scholarship may be deferred for a maximum of one year.

8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

A recipient of this scholarship is required to enrol in a full-time load, minimum of 18 units per semester. Under extenuating circumstances, a recipient may request permission, in writing, from the Deputy Director, ANU Access and Inclusion Office to hold the scholarship on a part-time basis. If approved, payments of the scholarship will be made on a pro-rata basis.

Recipients are expected to maintain a 60% weighted average mark (WAM) each semester (with the average being across all courses taken in a particular semester).
If a recipient is unable to achieve the required WAM in any semester, a formal warning is sent.

If the recipient does not meet the required WAM in a subsequent semester, they risk having their scholarship suspended or terminated.

A scholarship recipient is given the opportunity to explain their performance and how their performance can be remedied before a decision on the suspension or termination of a scholarship is made.

9. CESSATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship 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; or
(c) if a recipient fails to enrol as required in section 8; or
(d) if a recipient changes to part-time enrolment without permission; or
(e) if a recipient transfers to a program outside of the College without permission; or
(f) if a recipient fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements; or
(g) if a recipient breaches academic or behavioural standards set by the University under the Academic Misconduct & Discipline Rules;

whichever is the earliest.

10. REPAYMENT OF FUNDS

Subject to the information available at the time, the Deputy Director, ANU Access and Inclusion Office 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. A scholarship 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 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 scholarship 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://www.anu.edu.au/students/services/accommodation

15. PUBLICITY

The recipient may be requested to participate in publicity for the scholarship 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 scholarship 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. CONTACT WITH THE COLLEGE

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

The ANU College of Business and Economics
Email: scholarships.cbe@anu.edu.au

17. DISCLAIMER

The recipient of this scholarship 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.

18. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES & RULES


