THE DR CLAIRE CLARK SCHOLARSHIP

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the Australian National University (ANU) College of Asia and the Pacific may offer an award known as the Dr Claire Clark Scholarship ("the award").

ANU alumnus Mr Russell Clark (Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Asian Studies, 2000) has established the Dr Claire Clark Scholarship in honour of his mother Claire Clark. Dr Claire Clark was a visiting fellow at ANU at the Public Policy Program. She was a contemporary of Professor the Hon Gareth Evans AC QC, and she participated in the ANU Crawford School Australian Leadership Forum in 2014. The Dr Claire Clark Scholarship carries her name in reflection and recognition of her interest and participation in international relations and public policy.

The objective of the award is to:
- support post-graduate students pursuing programs in international relations and/or public policy;
- award students who have already demonstrated outstanding academic ability as an indication of their future potential impact; and
- honour Dr Claire Clark in reflection and recognition of her interest in international relations and public policy.

Funding for this award has been provided by Mr Russell Clark.

2. BENEFITS

The award covers tuition fees for an eligible post-graduate program in international relations and/or public policy, for the duration of the program (typically, 2 years of full-time study).

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) is enrolling in a postgraduate program in international relations and/or public policy. Eligible programs are restricted to the Master of International Relations, the Master of International Relations (Advanced), the Master of Public Policy, and the Master of Public Administration; and

(c) can demonstrate a history of excellent academic performance.
4. APPLICATION

Applications are called for with a closing date as set by the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific. The application is submitted on the prescribed application form, and supporting documentation uploaded or forwarded (as appropriate) to the ANU School of Asia prior to the closing date.

5. SELECTION

Selection is made on the basis of demonstration of excellent academic achievement. Selection will also be made on the strength of the applicant’s written statement and interview, in relation to their motivations to study international relations and/or public policy at ANU and the future impact they intend to make in their chosen field.

The award is offered to an by a selection committee chaired by the Dean of the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific (or their delegate), which will also include the donor or his nominee, and at least two other academic staff from the relevant disciplines who will be nominated by the Dean in consultation with the Directors of the relevant Schools in which those disciplines are housed.

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 Dr Claire Clark 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 recipient being required to refund a payment or payments to the College, as determined by the Dean of the College of Asia and the Pacific.

7. DEFERMENT

The recipient must take up their award in the semester for which it is offered. Any requests for deferrals of the award must be approved by the Dean of the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific.

8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

The recipient is required to enrol in a full-time load of 24 units per semester. The recipient may request permission, in writing, from the Dean of the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific
(or delegate) to hold the award on a part-time basis. If approved, payments of the award will be made on a pro-rata basis.

Recipients are expected to maintain an average of 70% or higher over the course of each semester.

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

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

A 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 an award is made.

9. CESSATION OF AWARD

   The award ceases:

   (a) at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 2; or
   (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 enrol as required in section 8;
   (d) if a recipient changes to part-time enrolment without permission,
   (e) if a recipient changes their program or course without permission;
   (f) if a recipient fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements;
   (g) 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 Dean of the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific (or nominee) 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 6 and/or 7 of these conditions of award may be varied by the College Dean on the recommendation of the Selection Committee.

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://www.anu.edu.au/students/services/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 College of Asia and the Pacific, and the Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Office of the University.

16. CONTACT WITH THE COLLEGE

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

Dean of the College
ANU College of Asia and the Pacific
HC Coombs Building #9
9 Fellows Road
The Australian National University
Canberra ACTON 2601
AUSTRALIA

Email: cap.dean.ea@anu.edu.au

17. 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.

18. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES & RULES