RHYS JONES FIELDWORK AWARD

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the School of Archaeology & Anthropology ("the School") in the ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences ("CASS") may offer one award known as the Rhys Jones Fieldwork Award ("the Award").

The objective of the Award is to provide financial support to students conducting archaeological fieldwork in the Australia-Pacific ("fieldwork") who may otherwise find it difficult to obtain funding for their research.

Funding for this Award has been provided by a generous donation from Dr Betty Meehan to commemorate the life and achievements of her late husband Professor Rhys Jones (1941-2001).

Rhys Jones moved to the University of Sydney from Cambridge University, England, in 1963. In 1969 he moved to the ANU as a Research Fellow in the Department of Anthropology and Sociology and later in the Department of Prehistory where he became a Senior Research Fellow. In 1993 he became Professor in the renamed Department of Archaeology and Natural History, Research School of Pacific and Asian Studies. After he retired in 2001 he became Emeritus Professor.

Professor Jones had a distinguished international career; he believed strongly that fieldwork was a highly significant component of archaeological research.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the award is stated in your letter of offer. The award is paid in one instalment prior to the commencement of their fieldwork 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 continuing ANU student who is:

(a) A domestic or international student.

(b) Enrolled in Archaeology or Palaeoanthropology in an Honours / Masters / or HDR program; and

(c) Is undertaking fieldwork approved by the Head of School (or delegated authority) of the ANU School of Archaeology and Anthropology.
4. APPLICATION

Applications are called for with a closing date as set by the School. The application is submitted on the prescribed electronic form and supporting documentation forwarded to ANU School of Archaeology and Anthropology by the closing date.

5. SELECTION

Selection is made on the basis of academic merit and the merit of the proposed project. Other factors such as students with research interests in Australian and Pacific archaeology, may also be taken into account, however other research areas may be supported.

Preference may be given to Honours and Masters students however HDR candidates may be considered should they have difficulty obtaining funds from other sources.

The award is offered to a student by a selection committee chaired by the Head of Discipline, School of Archaeology & Anthropology, CASS which will also include a minimum of three and a maximum of five archaeological academic staff. Where applications are received from both CASS and College of Asia & the Pacific (CAP) students, then least one member of the committee must come from (CAP).

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 if multiple winners are identified by splitting the award.

6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS

A recipient of the Rhys Jones Fieldwork Award 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 (or nominee).

7. DEFERMENT

The award cannot be deferred.

8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

A recipient of this award is required to enrol in a full-time load of 24 units per semester. A recipient requests permission, in writing, from the Head of Discipline, School of Archaeology & Anthropology to hold the award on a part-time basis. If approved, payments of the award will be made on a pro-rata basis.

Within 12 months of the payment of the Award, the scholar is expected to provide a report of their fieldwork of 1-2 pages (between 1000 – 1500 words) to the relevant Head of Discipline, School of Archaeology & Anthropology, CASS. This report may be published on the Australian National University website, or in any other publication or publicity material as considered appropriate by the Selection Committee.
9. CESSATION OF AWARD

The award ceases or should be surrendered:

(a) At the conclusion of the semester for which the award is allocated; 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 or changes to part-time enrolment without receiving permission to retain their scholarship;
(d) If a recipient transfers out of a Archaeology or Palaeoanthropology program prior to commencing fieldwork;
(e) If a recipient breaches academic or behavioural standards set by the University under the Academic Misconduct & Discipline Rules or breaks the law in the country in which they are undertaking fieldwork;

whichever is earliest.

10. REPAYMENT OF FUNDS

Subject to the information available at the time, the Dean of the College of Arts and Social Sciences 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 Dean 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 award may affect your Centrelink benefits, see this website http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/enablers/income/

14. 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 Arts and Social Sciences or Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Office of the University.
15. CONTACT WITH THE COLLEGE

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

Student & Education Office
College of Arts & Social Sciences

Phone: +61 2 6125 2898
Email: awards.cass@anu.edu.au

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


