THE ANU NATIONAL SECURITY POLICY SCHOLARSHIP
CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Each year The National Security College (“the College”) at the Australian National University may offer two partial tuition scholarships to domestic students, and one full tuition scholarship to an international student, known as The ANU National Security Policy Scholarship (“the award”).

The objectives of the award are to foster talent, in national security policy, both domestically and internationally, to showcase the College’s programs for high achievers, and to attract the highest quality applicants who may otherwise be excluded due to financial constraints.

Funding for this award has been provided by the College.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the award is stated in your letter of offer. The award is offered for the duration of the program.

Tuition Fee Scholarship: International recipients of this scholarship will receive a 100% tuition fee scholarship and Domestic recipients will receive a 50% tuition fee scholarship, upon enrolment into the program.

Recipients are responsible for making payment of any fees not covered by the scholarship, 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 has received an offer of admission from the College and is:

(a) a domestic or international student

(b) enrolling in the Master of National Security Policy or the Master of National Security Policy (Advanced) degree program

(c) The Scholarship shall be awarded in three (3) divisions:
   • Division 1: Employees of the Australian Public Service, or State and Territory equivalents
   • Division 2: Other Domestic students
• Division 3: International students

(d) The Scholarship shall be awarded to an applicant who:

• For Division 1: is an employee of the Australian Public Service or a State/Territory and has completed a Bachelor degree or international equivalent in a cognate discipline with a minimum of Distinction average or above.

• For Division 2: is an Australian citizen, a New Zealand Citizen or an Australian Permanent Resident and has completed a Bachelor degree or international equivalent in a cognate discipline with a minimum of Distinction average or above.

• For Division 3: is an international student and has completed a Bachelor degree with Honours or international equivalent in a cognate discipline with a minimum of Distinction average or above and meets the ANU English language requirements.

The College reserves the right to award multiple scholarships in one Division if applicants in other Divisions are deemed non-competitive.

4. APPLICATION

Applications are called for with a closing date as set by the College.

As well as applying for admission to the Master of National Security Policy or Master of National Security Policy (Advanced), applicants must provide:

• A statement of aims of no more than 500 words to support their application
• A current Curriculum Vitae of no more than 3 pages
• Two (2) academic written references.

All supporting documentation must be forwarded via email to national.security.college@anu.edu.au prior to the closing date.

5. SELECTION

Selection is made on the basis of excellence in academic achievement and/or research achievements as the key criteria. Other factors such as prior work experience, which the selection committee considers to be appropriate and in line with the College’s strategic direction and priorities, may also be taken into account.

The granting of an award to a student is recommended to the Head of the College, by a selection committee chaired by the Academic Director, which will also include the Graduate Convener, and another member of the academic team in the College.

The selection committee reserves the right not to recommend an 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 ANU National Security Policy Scholarship is not permitted to concurrently hold other scholarships, awards, grants and bursaries unless he/she has obtained permission from the Head of the College (nominee).

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 Head of the College (or nominee).

7. DEFERMENT

The recipient is expected to take up the award in the semester for which it is offered. Any requests for deferrals of the award must be approved by the Graduate Convener. Subject to approval, the award may be deferred for a maximum of one semester.

8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

Recipients are expected to maintain an average of at least 70% in the NSC courses over the tenure of the award.

If a recipient is unable to achieve the required result 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 or should be surrendered:

(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;

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(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 Head of the College 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/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. 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/study/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 or 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:

_Academic Program Coordinator_
_National Security College_
_ANU College of Asia and the Pacific_

Email: national.security.college@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/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


