ALEKSANDER VARGA MEMORIAL BURSARY
CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION
Each year the ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science may offer an award known as the Aleksander Varga Memorial Bursary (‘the Award’).

The objective of the Award is to assist students who demonstrate hard-working, ‘all-rounder’ qualities to study engineering at the ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science.

Funding for this Award has been provided by the family to commemorate the life of Aleksander Varga, an ANU graduate of the Bachelor of Commerce/Bachelor of Engineering from a rural background who was tragically killed in an automobile accident in May 2021.

2. BENEFITS
The value of the Award is stated in your letter of offer. The Award is paid in a one-off payment upon acceptance of the Award 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 the 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:

(a) is a domestic student; and

(b) is enrolled in at least their 3rd year of the Bachelor of Engineering or Bachelor of Engineering (Research and Development) single or flexible double degree offered by the College of Engineering and Computer Science; and

(c) demonstrates a commitment to contribute to and participate in their community; strives to work hard academically; and holds all-rounder qualities and approach to university life.

4. APPLICATION
The application is submitted on the prescribed form. Any requirement for supporting documentation and forwarding details will be stated on the application form and/or ANU Scholarships website. The application and all supporting documentation (where applicable) must be submitted on or prior to the closing date published on the ANU scholarships website.

5. SELECTION
Selection is made on the basis of the supporting documents which demonstrate their involvement in their community and, if applicable, financial need. Preference may be given to applicants from a regional or rural background.

The Award is offered to a student by a selection committee chaired by the College Dean (or nominee) which will also include the Directors of the three schools (Computing, Engineering and Cybernetics) or nominee/s.

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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 (where funds allow).

6. **CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS**

A recipient of the Award is permitted to hold concurrent student financial awards as outlined in the ANU Coursework Scholarships procedure.

7. **DEFERMENT**

The Award cannot be deferred.

8. **ONGOING ELIGIBILITY**

A recipient of the Award is required to enrol in a full-time load of 18 to 24 units in the semester in which the Award was given. A recipient requests permission, in writing, from the Associate Dean (Education) (or nominee) to hold the Award on a part-time basis. If approved, payments of the Award will be made on a pro-rata basis.

9. **CESSATION OF AWARD**

The Award ceases or should be surrendered:

(a) if a student no longer meets the eligibility requirements;
(b) at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 2;
(c) on the date on which the recipient withdraws or ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences;
(d) if a recipient fails to enrol as required in section 8;
(e) if a recipient changes to part-time enrolment without receiving permission to retain the Award;
(f) if a recipient changes their program or course without permission to retain the Award;
(g) if a recipient fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements; or
(h) if a recipient breaches academic or behavioural standards set by the University under the Academic Integrity Policy and/or the Discipline Rule;

whichever is earliest.

10. **REPAYMENT OF FUNDS**

Subject to the information available at the time, the College Dean (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**

Selection for the Award is based on the information provided to the University. The 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 for the Award.

12. **TAXATION & CENTRELINK**

Recipients are responsible for seeking taxation and Centrelink advice regarding their own individual circumstances. Student financial awards may be regarded as taxable income if a recipient is enrolled on a part-time basis.

For information on how the 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/)
13. 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

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 Engineering and Computer Science or ANU Communications and Engagement (ACE).

15. DISCLOSURE AND DONOR CONTACT

For the purposes of reporting on the impact of student financial awards, the name, program name and demographics (for example: age, country or town of residence) relating to a recipient of the Award may be disclosed to donors supporting the Award. This will not include recipient contact details. The recipient may be asked to write a personal note of thanks or to meet with donors. Any contact between a donor and a recipient will be facilitated by the ANU Advancement Office or an authorised representative of the University.

16. CONTACT WITH THE AWARD OWNER

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

Education Services
College of Engineering and Computer Science
Email: education.cecs@anu.edu.au

17. DISCLAIMER

The recipient of the 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 does not carry any commitment by the University for future employment.

These Conditions of Award should be read in conjunction with the University’s Student financial awards Policy and Coursework Scholarships Procedure available from the ANU website.

18. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES & RULES