1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the ANU College of Engineering & Computer Science (‘the College’) may offer an award known as the ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science Engineering Research & Development Female Excellence Scholarship (‘the Award’).

The objective of the Award is to support high performing female students commencing their undergraduate studies in the Bachelor of Engineering (Research and Development) (Honours) program.

Funding for this Award has been provided by the ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the Award is stated in your letter of offer. The duration of the Award is three years. The Award is paid in equal instalments after census date 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 prospective ANU student who:

a) identifies as female;

b) is a domestic student;

c) has completed an Australian Year 12 or IB qualification;

d) has not previously enrolled in a university;

e) has received an offer of admission to a single or flexible double degree program of Bachelor of Engineering (Research & Development) (Honours) offered by the College;

f) has achieved a minimum ANU Selection Rank of 99.0 or above.

4. APPLICATION

All applicants applying for admission through the ANU Admission Scholarship and Accommodation Application System will be automatically considered for the Award based on them meeting the eligibility criteria and electing to be considered for scholarships.

Where there are no eligible direct applicants or where the pool of eligible direct applicants has been exhausted, the Award may be offered to an eligible student applying for admission via the University Admissions Centre (UAC).
5. SELECTION

Selection is made on the basis of academic merit. Other factors may be taken into account where they align with the University's strategic objectives to ensure a diverse student cohort such as applicants who have received adjustment factors for a combination of disadvantages.

Where there are multiple applicants with the same ANU Selection Rank, preference will be given (in order of priority) to applicants who:

- attended their final years of schooling at a low ICSEA school (below 900);
- received adjustment factors for financial hardship;
- received adjustment factors for a long-term medical condition/disability;
- received adjustment factors for ongoing effects of abuse;
- are Indigenous; or
- Award refugees

The award is offered to a student by the University Coursework Scholarships Committee. Membership of this committee is outlined in the ANU Coursework Scholarships procedure.

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 this Award is required to enrol in a full-time load (minimum 18 units per semester). A recipient requests permission, in writing, from the College of Engineering and Computer Science Associate Dean (Education) 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 a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 6.0 or above each semester (with the average being across all courses taken in a particular semester or session/s overlapping that semester).

If a recipient is unable to achieve the GPA in any semester a formal warning is sent.

If the recipient does not meet the required GPA 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) if a student no longer meets the eligibility requirements;

b) at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 2; or
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 their Award;
f) if a recipient fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements;
g) if a recipient does not enrol in one of the programs listed in section 3(d);
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 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 your Award may affect your Centrelink benefits, see this website 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 College or ANU Communications and Engagement (ACE).

15. CONTACT WITH THE AWARD OWNER
All enquiries regarding the Award and changes, issues, or further information after acceptance should be made to:

ANU College of Engineering & Computer Science
Email: education.cecs@anu.edu.au

16. 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.

17. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES & RULES


