1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre ("Tjabal Centre"), ANU College of Health & Medicine, ANU College of Science, and ANU College of Engineering & Computer Science may offer an award known as the Indigenous Science and Engineering Undergraduate Scholarship ("the award").

The objectives of the award are to:

- support Indigenous students studying science, technology, engineering, mathematics or medicine (STEMM);
- provide financial assistance in the second year of full time study;
- encourage the continuation of studies after first year.

Funding for this award has been provided by the National Science and Engineering Summer School for Indigenous Students, supported by the Tjabal Centre, the ANU College of Health & Medicine, ANU College of Science and the ANU College of Engineering & Computer Science.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the award is stated in your letter of offer. The duration of the award is one year. The award is paid in equal instalments at the beginning of each semester 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:

(a) is an Indigenous Australian student;
(b) is enrolled in the second year of an undergraduate degree in the ANU College of Health & Medicine, ANU College of Science or ANU College of Engineering & Computer Science.

4. APPLICATION

There is no application as students are automatically considered based on them meeting the eligibility criteria or conditions prescribed under the Eligibility section.
5. SELECTION

Selection is made on the basis of academic merit.

The Director of the Tjabal Centre will each year assess those eligible students based on their achievements in their first year of study and make a recommendation to the Dean of the relevant College.

Normally, the scholarship will be rotated each year between the ANU College of Health & Medicine, ANU College of Science and the ANU College of Engineering & Computer Science. If there are no suitable applicants from the assigned College in that year, selection can be made from the alternative College.

The Director of the Tjabal Centre reserves the right to make no award if they consider there is no applicant of sufficient merit. The Director of the Tjabal Centre 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 funding allows).

6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS

A recipient of the Indigenous Science and Engineering Summer Scholarship is permitted to hold concurrent scholarships 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 of 18 units per semester). A recipient requests permission, in writing, from the Director of the Tjabal Centre 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) 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 receiving permission to retain their scholarship;

(e) if a recipient changes to a program which does not lead to a Bachelor’s degree in science or engineering;

(f) 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 Director of the Tjabal Centre 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 7 of these conditions of award may be varied by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) on the recommendation of the Director of the Tjabal Centre.

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/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 Tjabal Centre 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:

Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre
Email: tjabal.centre@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


