



LOVE SCHOLARSHIP in PHYSICS

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the *Research School of Physics and Engineering* may award a scholarship known as the ANU Love Scholarship in Physics (“the award”).

The first award will be offered for 2016, a second scholarship for 2017, a third for 2018, a fourth for 2019 and a fifth for 2020. Thereafter the number of scholarships available will depend on the duration of the five established scholarships. In any one year up to 5 scholarships may be offered.

The objective of the scholarship is to strengthen educational outcomes for students both in terms of skills development and preparation for further study or employment, improved equity access figures for the University, and raised awareness of the acute disadvantages that some students face in accessing university education.

Funding for this scholarship has been provided by the Research School of Physics and Engineering (RSPE) and will be run in parallel with the *ANU Love Scholarships* funded by the ANU Love Scholarships Endowment.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the scholarship will be stated in your scholarship offer letter. The duration of the scholarship will be up to five years depending on the program in which the scholar is enrolled. The scholarship shall be paid in two instalments at the beginning of each semester unless otherwise stated in the scholarship offer letter.

The scholar is responsible for making payment of all his/her tuition fees by the prescribed date as set out by the University each session. Scholars are responsible for the costs of books, study materials, accommodation and all other costs of study.

3. ELIGIBILITY

The Scholarship shall be available for award each year to a new ANU student who:

- (a) is an Australian citizen or holds an Australian permanent humanitarian visa; and
- (b) is a current school leaver;
- (c) is eligible for Educational Access Scheme (EAS) bonus points;
- (d) achieves an ATAR of 95 or higher - including any (EAS) bonus points;
- (e) is enrolling in an undergraduate Science degree program, including enrolment in a physics subject, and intends to do a Physics major, within the Research School of Physics and Engineering; and
- (f) demonstrates, through a supporting statement, the circumstances that they have faced could pose a serious and sustained challenge to their ability to participate at University and how the scholarship would enable them to pursue their tertiary education and take advantage of their studies to enable them to reach their full potential.

4. APPLICATION

Applications shall be called for with a closing date as set by the University. The Application should be made via University Admissions Centre (UAC) at <http://www.uac.edu.au/equity/>.

The application shall also consist of a supporting statement by the scholar of no more than 500 words which details how the scholarship would enable them to take advantage of their studies to enable them to reach their full potential. The supporting statement shall be submitted to ANU Access and Inclusion via email access.inclusion@anu.edu.au prior to scholarship closing date.

5. SELECTION

Selection will be made on the basis of application and academic merit.

The Scholarship will be awarded to a student by a selection Committee chaired by the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Student Experience) which will also include the Deputy Director, Access, Inclusion and Wellbeing and Director, School of Physics and Engineering.

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 scholarships or award the Scholarship at other times in exceptional circumstances or based on the standard of applications or students.

6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS

A recipient of the Love Scholarship in Physics 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 scholar being required to refund a payment or payments to the College, as determined by the Registrar/Dean/Delegated Authority of the College (or nominee).

7. DEFERMENT

The scholar must take up their award in the semester for which it is offered. Any requests for deferrals of the Award must be approved by Pro Vice-Chancellor (Student Experience). Subject to approval, the award may be deferred for a maximum of one year.

8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

A recipient of this award will be required to enrol in a full-time load of 24 units per semester of the relevant program.

If the scholar is on international exchange, then the scholarship will be suspended for the duration of the scholar's absence. The maximum period of scholarship suspension for an international exchange is one year.

Scholarship holders are expected to maintain a 70% average each semester (with the average being across all courses taken in a particular semester).

If a scholar is unable to achieve the required average in their previous semester they will be sent a formal warning.

If a scholar does not meet the required average in the following semester they will risk having their scholarship suspended or terminated.

Scholars will be given the opportunity to explain their performance and how their performance can be remedied before a decision on the suspension or termination of a scholarship 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 student withdraws or ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences;
- (c) if an awardee fails to enrol as required in section 8;
- (d) if an awardee changes to part-time enrolment without permission,
- (e) if an awardee changes their program or course without permission;
- (f) if an awardee fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements;
- (g) if an awardee 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 Pro-Vice Chancellor (Student Experience) 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 INFORMATION

The awarding of this scholarship is based on the information provided to the University and UAC. 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 Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) on the recommendation of the Pro-Vice Chancellor (Student Experience)

13. TAXATION & CENTRELINK

Award 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/students/services/accommodation>

15. PUBLICITY

The Scholarship holder may be requested to participate in publicity for the scholarships from time to time. This may include publicity in the state or territory of residence or of schooling. Scholars may be contacted for an interview and photograph. The University may also publicise the Scholarships by publishing the names of the scholars. Arrangements for such

publicity will be made through the Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Office of the University

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

ANU Coursework Scholarship Policy -

https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_007803

ANU Coursework Scholarship Procedure -

https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_009607

ANU Academic Misconduct Rules - <https://www.comlaw.gov.au/Details/F2014L01785>

ANU Discipline Rules - <https://www.comlaw.gov.au/Details/F2014L01792>