1. INTRODUCTION

The ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science ("the College") may offer an award known as the Michael Cavenor HDR Supplementary Scholarship ("the award").

The objective of the award is to attract an outstanding domestic PhD candidate interested in a multidisciplinary approach to the work being undertaken in the Hydrogen Project, a key part of the ANU Zero-Carbon Energy for the Asia-Pacific program.

The award will supplement funding for a student who is awarded and continues to hold an Australian Government Research Training Program Stipend Scholarship (AGRTP) or similar living-expense PhD scholarship.

Funding for this award has been provided by Dr Michael Cavenor a former Associate Professor in the Department of Electrical Engineering at UNSW Canberra, ADFA. Michael’s interest in alternative energy began in the 1960s when he worked on fusion energy whilst employed as a Research Scientist at the English Electric Company in the UK. Michael was encouraged by the Company to study for a PhD and he chose the University of New England, Australia due to the work being carried out at that time in the UNE Department of Physics. Michael is a strong supporter of clean alternative energy and hopes this supplemental scholarship will help a PhD student in the Hydrogen area make a difference in the world over the next 10-15 years.

2. BENEFITS

Value: The value of the award will be stated in the letter of offer. The Award comprises two components:

A. Supplementary Stipend Scholarship: A recipient may be awarded a supplementary stipend scholarship to the value outlined in the letter of offer, paid as a fortnightly instalment; and

B. Research Support: A recipient will receive an additional allowance to support their PhD project as outlined in the letter of offer and paid as an annual lump sum into the recipient’s Professional Development fund.

Duration: The duration of the full-time award will be four years for a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD).

Extension: There is no extension available.

3. ELIGIBILITY

The award will be available to a prospective student who:

(a) is a domestic student;
(b) is awarded and continues to hold an Australian Government Research Training Program (AGRTP) Stipend Scholarship or similar living-expenses PhD scholarship;

(c) is enrolled or enrolling full-time in a program of study for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the College to undertake research focused on hydrogen energy;

(d) holds an Australian Bachelor Honours degree with First Class Honours or equivalent and/or has relevant research experience.

4. APPLICATION

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

5. SELECTION

Selection will be made on the basis of the College of Engineering and Computer Science HDR Scholarship Committee’s highest ranked eligible PhD Candidate enrolling in a PhD in the field of Hydrogen Energy.

The Selection Committee reserves the right to make no award if it considers there is no applicant of sufficient merit.

6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS

A recipient of the award 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.

7. DEFERMENT

The award must be taken up no later than the date specified in the letter of offer, unless in special circumstances another date has been approved by the Delegated Authority.

8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

The recipient is required to remain enrolled in a program of study for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in the College in the program for which the award is offered.

A part-time award may be offered or approved if the student has reasons acceptable to the University that preclude full-time study for part or all of the course of study. In such cases the University must be satisfied that the reasons relate to caring commitments, a medical condition, a disability or other circumstance which limits the student’s capacity to undertake full-time study.

The award is tenable only in the ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science and cannot be transferred to another institution or ANU College.

9. SUSPENSION OF AWARD

A recipient may apply for suspension of their award. The approval of a suspension will be at the discretion of the recipient’s College. A suspension may be appropriate if a recipient is studying at another institution and receives an award for that study. In these circumstances the duration of the award will be reduced by the periods of study undertaken towards the degree during suspension of the award (unless the study was undertaken overseas as part of
a Commonwealth Government financially supported international postgraduate research scholarship or award).

The University may suspend an award where a recipient has:

a) outstanding fees;

b) an outstanding debt with the University; or

c) outstanding PhD milestone/s

An award will only be suspended once a reasonable amount of time (more than 20 working days) has passed since the fees and/or debt and/or milestones were due and once the University has advised the recipient in writing that the milestones, debt and/or fees are outstanding. Under these circumstances, the recipient will forfeit payment for the period of time that their award is suspended.

10. CESSATION OF AWARD

The award ceases:

(a) at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 2; or

(b) on submission of the thesis for examination; or

(c) on the date on which the recipient withdraws or ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences; or

(d) if a recipient is no longer meeting or has breached the conditions of award; or

(e) if a recipient breaches academic or behavioural standards set by the University under the Academic Misconduct & Discipline Rules.

11. REPAYMENT OF FUNDS

A recipient who is taking leave from their program, or changing intensity from full-time to part-time, is expected to submit the prescribed form in a timely manner and, where possible, in advance in order to avoid receiving an overpayment of their award. In circumstances where an overpayment does occur, the overpayments will generally be recovered in line with the ANU Overpayments Procedure.

In the situation where a recipient is overpaid an amount in excess of a full fortnightly disbursement, the University may recover the overpayment by withholding future stipend payments at the same rate that the stipend was overpaid.

In cases of overpayment or outstanding financial debts to the University, service restrictions are applied to students. Service restrictions include temporarily withholding students’ access to:

(a) enrol or re-enrol in a program or course;

(b) obtain a transcript of academic record;

(c) acquire results of any assessment in a course or program;

(d) receive a degree, diploma, certificate or other Award of the University.
12. PROVIDING FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION

The offer of an award 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 offering the award.

13. 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.

14. TAXATION & CENTRELINK

Recipients are responsible for seeking taxation and Centrelink advice regarding their own individual circumstances. Scholarships/grants/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, please refer to this website: http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/enablers/income/

15. 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

16. 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 Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Office of the University.

17. CONTACT WITH THE COLLEGE

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

Scholarships Coordinator, Student Services  
ANU College of Engineering and Computer Science  
Studentadmin.cecs@anu.edu.au

18. 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 Research Awards Rule and Candidature and Supervision Policies.
19. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES, RULES & RESOURCES


Research Scholarship Information (including reimbursement and claim forms) - http://www.anu.edu.au/students/scholarships-support/research-scholarship-information