



NATASHA LINARD SCHOLARSHIP FOR WOMEN IN ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Each year The ANU College of Engineering & Computer Science ("the College") may offer an award known as the *Natasha Linard Scholarship for Women in Engineering & Technology* ("the award").

The objective of the award is to support female students who are undertaking their 3rd (or later) year, of an undergraduate program at the College. The award aims to help build the recipient's leadership skills in technology, business and community areas, and to develop a mentoring relationship with prominent professionals in the private and public sectors.

Funding for the award has been provided by the College, and by donors who have contributed to the Natasha Linard Endowment. Following the sad passing of Dr Natasha Linard, a member of the first undergraduate engineering intake at the ANU, the College has established the endowment and scholarship in her name.

Dr Natasha Linard was an outstanding and inspiring role model for female engineers. She was one of the first ANU female students to graduate with a Bachelor of Engineering and, subsequently, with a PhD in Engineering.

The scholarship will continue her dedication to mentoring female students and early professionals.

Recipients of the Natasha Linard Scholarship for Women in Engineering & Technology will carry her name with pride and, like her, will no doubt become prominent members of the engineering profession.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the award is stated in the letter of offer. The award includes a stipend, plus coverage of tuition fees associated with undertaking the YWCA *'She Leads' Diploma of Leadership and Management*.

The stipend will be paid in a single instalment at the beginning of the semester following the announcement of the award, unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer. Tuition fee coverage will be applied when the recipient applies for the She Leads Diploma.

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 a domestic or international student;
- (b) is enrolled in an undergraduate program in at least their 3rd year of the program at the ANU College of Engineering & Computer Science and;
- (c) has demonstrated a commitment to socio-technical issues through mentoring female students in their early years at the College, by encouraging young women in their final years at school to consider an engineering degree, or through a focus (e.g. in their final year thesis) on developing or applying appropriate technologies for developing economies.

4. APPLICATION

Applications shall be called for with a closing date as set by the College. The application is submitted on the prescribed electronic form and supporting documentation forwarded to the College by email via studentadmin.cecs@anu.edu.au prior to the closing date.

5. SELECTION

Selection is made primarily on the basis of academic merit, and the applicant's supporting documents, which demonstrate achievement in extracurricular student projects/activities, and any other factors which the Selection Committee considers to be appropriate and in line with the College's strategic direction and priorities.

The award is offered to a student by a Selection Committee chaired by The Dean of the College, which will also include:

- Mr Keith Linard family or a nominated member of the Linard family,
- Research School Director (or nominee) of a suitable research school within the College at the discretion of the Dean; and
- Associate Dean Diversity & Inclusion.

The Selection Committee reserves the right to make no award, or to award the Scholarship at other times, in exceptional circumstances, if it considers there is no applicant of sufficient merit. The Selection Committee also reserves the right to award more than one Scholarship in any year where the Committee deems that there is more than one deserving candidate or candidates of equal merit.

6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS

A recipient of the *Natasha Linard Scholarship for Women in Engineering & Technology* is not permitted to concurrently hold any other scholarships, awards, grants and bursaries.

Failure to declare and obtain permission to hold another award or scholarship may result in the recipient being required to refund a payment, or payments, to the College, as determined by the Dean of the College (or nominee).

7. DEFERMENT

The recipient must take up their award in the semester for which it is offered. Any requests for deferrals of the award must be approved by the Selection Committee.

8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

A recipient of this award is required to be enrolled in a full-time load of 24 units per semester. A recipient may request permission, in writing, from the Dean, ANU College of Engineering & Computer Science to hold the award on a part-time basis.

Recipients are required to continue to demonstrate a commitment to socio-technical issues through mentoring female students in their early years at the College, by encouraging young women in their final years at school to consider an engineering degree, or through a focus (e.g. in their final year thesis) on developing or applying appropriate technologies for developing economies.

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 permission,
- (e) if a recipient changes their program or course without permission;
- (f) if a recipient fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements;
- (g) 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 Dean of the College may request that the payment for the semester in which the breach of conditions or withdrawal occurs be refunded in part or full.

11. PROVIDING FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION

The awarding of a scholarship/grant 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/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 Dean, ANU College of Engineering & Computer Science on the recommendation of the Chair of Selection Committee.

13. TAXATION & CENTRELINK

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/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 ANU College of Engineering & Computer Science or the 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:

ANU College of Engineering & Computer Science
Email: studentadmin.cecs@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/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.

18. 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 Rule - <https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2015L02025>

ANU Discipline Rule - <https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2015L02046>



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I _____(print name) hereby accept the offer of the (Insert name of scholarship) on the conditions set out in your letter of _____(date) and in the *Natasha Linard Scholarship for Women in Engineering & Technology Conditions of Award (578a/2017)*.

I have read and understood the conditions of award and agree to be bound by them. I acknowledge that no undertakings regarding the award beyond the terms of this letter and the Conditions of Award are authorised or will be binding on the University unless they are contained in an official letter from the Student Administration and Records Office, Division of Student Administration.

Print Name

Signature

ANU Student ID

Date