



**Australian
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**ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences
Academic Excellence Masters Scholarship
CONDITIONS OF AWARD**

1. INTRODUCTION

Each year the ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences (“the College”) may offer up to 10 awards known as the ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences Academic Excellence Masters Scholarship (‘the Award’).

The objective of the Award is to support, enable and encourage international students to undertake studies in the arts, humanities or social sciences at the ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences.

Funding for this Award has been provided by ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences.

2. BENEFITS

The value of the Award is stated in your letter of offer. The duration of the Award is for one year. The Award is paid in equal instalments after census date 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 the 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 commencing ANU student who:

- (a) is an International student;
- (b) is a citizen of one of the countries published on the scholarships webpage (as updated annually); and
- (c) receives an offer of admission to a Master or Master Advanced program (excluding the Master of Studies/Master of Studies Advanced) at the ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences.

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

Only applicants who meet all the eligibility criteria will be considered. Selection is made on the basis of academic merit calculated for admission to the University. Aligned with the University’s strategic objectives to ensure a diverse student cohort, additional factors such as diversity and inclusion may be taken into account.

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The Award is offered to a student by a selection committee chaired by the CASS Associate Dean (Student Experience and Integrity). The selection committee will also include at least two other academic staff members from the College who are either Associate Deans or teaching academics in postgraduate programs or otherwise appointed by the Dean of the College of Arts and Social Sciences.

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, grants and bursaries procedure](#).

7. DEFERMENT

The recipient is expected to take up their Award in the semester for which it is offered. Any request for deferral of the Award must be approved by the College Dean or nominee, ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences. Subject to approval, the Award may be deferred for a maximum of one semester.

8. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

A recipient of this Award is required to enrol in a full-time load of 24 units per semester. A recipient requests permission, in writing, from the College Dean or nominee, ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences 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 5.0 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;
- (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 the Award;
- (f) if a recipient changes their program or course without permission to retain the Award;
- (g) if a recipient fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements; or
- (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 General Manager, ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences 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. 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 College Dean or nominee, ANU College of Arts and Social Sciences on the recommendation of the selection committee.

13. TAXATION

Recipients are responsible for seeking independent taxation advice regarding their own individual circumstances. Student financial awards are regarded as taxable income if a recipient is enrolled on a part-time basis. If you are receiving Centrelink benefits, student financial awards may impact your Centrelink payments.

For more information, visit

- <https://www.ato.gov.au/Calculators-and-tools/Host/?anchor=IMST&anchor=IMST&anchor=IMST/questions#IMST/questions>
- <https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/income-from-scholarships-for-students-and-apprentices?context=43921>

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: <https://study.anu.edu.au/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 Arts and Social Sciences or ANU Communications and Engagement (ACE).

16. 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 Arts and Social Sciences

Email: awards.cass@anu.edu.au

17. 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, grants and bursaries procedure available from the ANU website.

18. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES & RULES

ANU Student Financial Awards Policy -

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

ANU Coursework Scholarships, Grants and Bursaries Procedure -

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

ANU Academic Integrity Policy - https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_6477101

ANU Discipline Rule - <https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2021L00998>