BUSINESS LEADER POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

Conditions of Award

Background
The Business Leader Postgraduate Scholarship was established at the University of Sydney Business School in 2012. The scholarship is intended to promote academic excellence at the Master’s level in selected degrees offered by the University of Sydney Business School.

Eligibility
The scholarship is available to new students who will commence their first semester of study with the Business School in one of the eligible Master’s by coursework programs involving 10 to 16 units of study. (A list of eligible Master’s programs is available on the Business School Scholarship webpage).

The scholarship is open to full-time international and full-time or part-time domestic students. Only those applicants who have received an offer of admission for one of the eligible Master’s degrees in the Business School for the subsequent semester are eligible for consideration of this award.

Current students who have completed study toward their degree and students receiving an offer of admission for a combined Master's program are not eligible.

Value and Tenure
The scholarship covers 50% of the Recipient’s coursework tuition fees and is tenable for 1.5 to 2 years full-time or 3 to 4 years part-time study. To retain a scholarship, the holder must maintain a continuous enrolment during their degree from the semester for which they sought entry. A continuous enrolment requires four units of study per semester for full-time candidates or two units of study per semester for part-time candidates.

The University of Sydney Business School will pay half of the coursework tuition fees for the required number of units of study for the award of Master’s.

Prior to census date and after the student has been recorded as a Recipient of the Scholarship, the Recipient’s Student Financial Statement will reflect the Business School’s financial commitment under the section titled Third Party Liability. Scholarship funds are then applied to the Recipient’s tuition fees following the semester census dates of 31 March and 31 August.

This scholarship does not include airfares to Sydney, living expenses, study materials, text books, any ancillary fees (if applicable) or Overseas Health Cover each year.

The Recipient is responsible for the balance owing for their tuition fees and their Student Services and Amenities Fee.

Selection
The scholarship is competitive, by application and interview and awarded on merit to the most outstanding applicant assessed against the selection criteria.

Candidates applying for admission to one of the scholarship's eligible Master's degrees offered by the Business School are ranked by the University of Sydney’s Admissions Staff. Candidates are selected for a second round of selections when demonstrating prior academic achievement in a prior University degree with an Australian-equivalent average of at least 75%.
Candidates who have, as a minimum, successfully met the 75% average in a prior University degree are then invited by Scholarship Staff to submit an application with a certified copy of prior academic results and a statement addressing the following selection criteria of:

(i) leadership capability, with the successful applicant being required to demonstrate outstanding leadership potential in the business domain (maximum 500 words)
(ii) ambassadorial potential, including outstanding public and professional communication skills (maximum 500 words); and
(iii) potential to succeed in business in a socially responsible way (maximum 500 words).

The applications are reviewed by a committee chaired by the Associate Dean, Graduate Business.

Applicants are shortlisted when they have addressed the selection criteria and their responses are deemed as exceptional, that is, outstanding leadership and public speaking and where they are able to demonstrate potential success in disciplinary areas in business.

Applicants should note that if their submission is unsuccessful, the decision is absolute. There is no course of appeal.

Applicants who are successful, are then invited to attend an interview, either in person or via electronic means with the Associate Dean, Graduate Business. Candidates are notified within ten working days on the outcome of their interview. If successful, candidates will receive a written offer of scholarship.

The selection process outlined above corresponds with the University of Sydney's Admissions processing for semester intakes, with selections commencing during the admission cycle, up to and until four weeks prior to the commencement of semester teaching.

**Conditions and prohibitions**
The scholarship must be taken up in the semester in which it is offered.

Scholarship holders are not able to defer or suspend their enrolment in the degree to receive the scholarship, except with the permission of the Associate Dean, Graduate Business.

The award is conditional on the scholars meeting all regulations of their coursework program.

To retain a scholarship, the holder must also achieve a 75% Distinction Grade average each semester.

If the holder is undertaking units of study overseas as part of an approved University of Sydney outgoing exchange program, they will be expected to achieve Pass/Met Requirements of the program.

In the event that a scholarship holder changes degree or discontinues study, the scholarship is no longer tenable.

The scholarship may not be held concurrently with other University scholarship funds awarded to assist with the student's tuition fees.

The outcome of applications and selections for the award will be made by the University of Sydney Business School, whose decision will be final. **No appeals will be entertained.**

Scholarship holders will have the opportunity to promote the coursework Master's Program in which they are enrolled and represent the Business School at student orientation, marketing events and corporate networking events.