The Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies at the University of Sydney is offering a special scholarship opportunity to outstanding PhD candidates who have studied and graduated from a university in South America.

To be eligible, applicants must:

- be a citizen of Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia and Peru and have completed all their prior tertiary studies at a university in their country of citizenship,
- have an unconditional offer of admission for full-time enrolment in a PhD program for Research Period 1 or 2, 2017 in the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies at the University of Sydney,
- have obtained equivalent to a University of Sydney distinction average (75%) and above in their previous tertiary studies (ideally for each country: Argentina—excellent, Brazil—very superior or excellent, Chile—very good, Colombia—extremely high, and Peru—excellent),
- have a proposed research area that shall preferably relate to the Faculty’s key research themes of biomedical engineering and technologies, clean, intelligent energy networks, complex systems, robotics, data science, human-centered technology, materials and structures and food processing,
- enrol by the relevant research period census date in order to receive the Scholarship.

Selection criteria

Applicants will be assessed on their academic merit, research proposal, their statement addressing their interest in the Scholarship, reports from two academic referees and any peer reviewed scholarly publications. The statement of interest should be no more than 600 words.

All applicants must also provide proof of their citizenship.

The Scholarship shall be awarded on the recommendation of the selection committee consisting of the Associate Dean (Research), or their nominee and one other academic member of the Faculty. Applicants may be requested to attend an interview. Applicants will not be expected to be in Australia for any interviews held.

The Scholarship is tenable for a period of up to three years. Payments will be paid as a stipend allowance equivalent to the current year stipend rate of the APA. Tuition fees will be paid directly to the University of Sydney for each relevant research period. No other benefits are payable. The Scholarship may be extended for an additional 6 months at the discretion of the Associate Dean (Research).

The recipient must meet satisfactory academic performance requirements and remain enrolled full-time to maintain the Scholarship.

Deferment of the Scholarship is not permitted.

Please refer to the terms and conditions of this Scholarship for a full list of the conditions that apply.