Rockend Scholarship In Information Technologies And Software Engineering

Terms and Conditions
November 2018

1. **Background**

a. Established in 2013, this Scholarship has been generously donated by Rockend Technology Pty Ltd to encourage and support highly motivated and academically talented students to pursue further studies.

2. **Eligibility**

a. Applicants must be an Australian Citizen or Australian Permanent Resident and be enrolled full-time in either the Master of Information Technology, Master of Information Technology Management, or about to commence their 4th year of studies in either a Bachelor of Computer Science and Technology, Bachelor of Information Technology, or a Bachelor of Engineering Honours (Software) at the University of Sydney.

b. Applicants enrolled in combined degrees with one of the eligible degree programs stated in section 2a above are also eligible.

c. Applicants must have obtained a credit average (65%) or above in their undergraduate degree.

3. **Selection Criteria**

a. The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of:

   I.   academic merit, and
   II.   a personal statement demonstrating leadership skills and University engagement.

b. The Scholarship will be awarded on the nomination of a selection committee consisting of the Associate Dean (Education), Head of School for Electrical and Information Engineering and the Head of School for Computer Science, or their nominated delegates. A representative from Rockend may be present; however the University retains final authority to determine the Scholarship recipient.

c. Shortlisted candidates may be required to attend an interview with the selection committee.

4. **Value**

a. The Scholarship is valued at $15,000 and is tenable for one year only.

b. The Scholarship annual value will be paid in two equal instalments after the census date of each semester.

c. Deferral of the Scholarship is not permitted without the prior permission of the Associate Dean (Education) and it is not transferable to another University school, faculty or university.

d. The Scholarship will be offered subject to the availability of funds.

e. No other amount is payable.

5. Ongoing eligibility

a. To continue receipt of the Scholarship, the recipient must maintain a minimum Semester Average Mark (SAM) of 65 each semester.

b. Recipients undertaking an exchange during the tenure of this Scholarship are required to have achieved a Satisfied Requirements grade (SR) to receive their next payment.

6. Termination

a. The Scholarship will be terminated if the recipient:

   I. withdraws from an eligible course or fails to enrol,
   II. commences part-time study without prior approval,
   III. does not maintain satisfactory academic performance,
   IV. is determined by the University to be guilty of serious misconduct, including, but not limited to, having provided false or misleading information as part of their Scholarship application,
   V. is awarded an alternative primary scholarship. In such circumstances this scholarship will be terminated in favour of the alternative scholarship where the alternative scholarship is of higher value,
   VI. does not resume study at the end of a period of approved leave, or
   VII. any other provision as indicated in these terms that would lead to termination.

b. Once the Scholarship has been terminated, it will not be reinstated unless due to University error.

c. Where a student is found guilty of serious misconduct or withdraws from the relevant course, the University reserves the right to request that any Scholarship funds paid to the Scholarship recipient be reimbursed.