Faculty of Science Dean’s Access Scholarship

Terms and Conditions
March 2018

1. Background

a. Established in 2018, this Scholarship provides support to students enrolled in the Faculty of Science who demonstrate financial hardship.

2. Eligibility

a. Applicants must be domestic (Australian citizens, New Zealand citizens and Australian permanent residents) full-fee paying commencing, or continuing students enrolled in either:

i. a postgraduate coursework degree within the Faculty of Science at the University of Sydney, or

ii. undergraduate non-award units of study within the Faculty of Science at the University of Sydney.

b. Students enrolled in non-award study must also be currently completing their HSC or equivalent and have demonstrated outstanding academic results within science disciplines.

c. Applicants must be able to demonstrate significant ongoing financial hardship.

3. Selection Criteria

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

i. academic merit,

ii. supporting documentation and a personal statement which provides evidence of financial hardship and any other relevant hardship, and

iii. a personal statement which outlines how the Scholarship will assist the applicant achieve their educational goals.

b. The Scholarship will be awarded by the Dean of the Faculty of Science, or their nominated delegate.

4. Value

a. The Value awarded is as follows:

i. Either 50% or 100% of the tuition fees for the specified units of study for a recipient enrolled in non-award studies, as stated in the Scholarship letter of offer. Partial of full coverage is provided based on the level of financial disadvantage demonstrated, or

ii. Either 50% or 100% of the tuition fees for up to a maximum of two semesters for an enrolled postgraduate coursework recipient, as stated in the Scholarship letter of offer. Partial or full coverage is provided based on the level of financial disadvantage demonstrated.

b. Deferral of the Scholarship is not permitted without the prior permission of the Dean of the Faculty of Science, or their nominee, and it is not transferable to another University school, faculty or university.
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c. The Scholarship will be offered subject to the availability of funds.

d. No other amount is payable.

5. Ongoing eligibility

a. To continue receipt of the Scholarship, a recipient who is enrolled in a degree program must maintain a minimum Semester Average Mark (SAM) of 65 each semester.

b. Recipients enrolled in non-award studies must successfully pass their relevant units of study.

c. 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. withdraws from any nominated units of study,
   III. does not maintain satisfactory academic performance or complete academic requirements,
   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.