

# **Peter Nicol Russell Undergraduate Scholarship in Mechanical and Mechatronic Engineering**

## **Terms and Conditions**

**August 2018**

### **1. Background**

- a. Established in 1896, this Scholarship has been generously donated by Sir Peter Nicol Russell, and later became known as the Peter Nicol Russell Bequest, to encourage higher education in mechanical and mechatronic engineering.

### **2. Eligibility**

- a. Applicants must be an Australian citizen or Australian permanent resident who is a recent school leaver that qualifies and enrolls into a Bachelor of Engineering Honours (Mechanical or Mechatronic Engineering) in the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies at the University of Sydney.
- b. Combined degrees are not eligible.

### **3. Selection Criteria**

- a. The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academic merit as based on the applicant's performance in the NSW HSC or equivalent
- b. ATAR results or equivalent must not exceed three years from the year obtained. However, an exception can be made in cases where the applicant has been engaged for the full period following completion of their HSC or equivalent, in a program of employment and/or study related to the practice of engineering.
- c. The Scholarship will be awarded on the nomination of a selection committee consisting of the Associate Dean (Education), or their nominee, and at least one other academic member of staff from the Faculty.

### **4. Value**

- a. The Scholarship is valued at \$6,000 per annum and is tenable for up to four years.
- b. The annual value of the Scholarship 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), or their nominee 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.

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- 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. transfers into another stream other than mechanical or mechatronic engineering,
  - III. commences part-time study without prior approval,
  - IV. does not maintain satisfactory academic performance,
  - V. 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,
  - VI. 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,
  - VII. does not resume study at the end of a period of approved leave, or
  - VIII. 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.