Roy Frederick Turner A. M. Scholarship

Terms and Conditions
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1. Background

a. Roy Frederick Turner was a graduate of the Faculty of Law at the University of Sydney. His studies were made possible by a government scholarship following service as a gunner in WWII. Roy Turner established the law firm Turner Freeman, was a member of the NSW Parliament and made a significant contribution to a range of humanitarian organisations. He was a founding Director of the NSW Aboriginal Legal Service and Chairman of Royal Prince Alfred Hospital.

b. The Scholarship was established anonymously in Mr Turner’s memory. It aims to assist a disadvantaged student undertaking a degree leading to eligibility to practice law.

2. Eligibility

a. Applicants must be an Australian citizen or Australian permanent resident commencing an undergraduate combined law program at the University of Sydney Law School.

b. Applicants must demonstrate hardship as detailed under the selection criteria.

3. Selection Criteria

a. The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academic merit, as well as one or more of the following:

   I. demonstrated financial hardship,
   II. demonstrated medical hardship/disability, or
   III. evidence of carers responsibilities.

b. The Scholarship will be awarded on the nomination of a selection committee consisting of the Dean of the University of Sydney Law School, or their nominee, and at least one other academic staff member from the School.

4. Value

a. The Scholarship is valued at $7,000 and is tenable for the normal full-time duration (equivalent to 24 credit points per semester) of the recipient’s degree program (including combined degrees, but excluding appended honours).

b. If a student is undertaking non-law honours as part of their combined degree, the scholarship will be suspended for the duration of their honours year.

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

d. Deferral or transfer of the Scholarship is not permitted without the prior permission of the Dean and it is not transferable to another University school, faculty, or university.

e. The Scholarship will be offered subject to the availability of funds.
f. No other amount is payable.

5. Ongoing eligibility

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

b. Scholarship recipients must remain enrolled full-time and in the agreed degree program during the tenure of their scholarship. Requests to hold the Scholarship part-time will be approved under exceptional circumstances such as a medical condition which limits the student’s capacity to undertake full-time study. Such requests must be approved by the Dean of the University of Sydney law School or the nominated delegate. Students will be paid the normal semester payment on a pro-rata basis.

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. 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 a Scholarship has been terminated, it cannot 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.