Dr. Abdul Kalam International Postgraduate Scholarship

Terms and Conditions

1. Background
   a. Dr APJ Abdul Kalam was the 11th President of India. During his five years in office, Dr Abdul Kalam’s focus was on transforming India into a developed nation by 2020. A distinguished scientist and aeronautical engineer by training, Dr Kalam advocated that it is possible to work cooperatively for an economically developed, prosperous and peaceful society.
   b. In recognition of his contribution to his profession, Dr Kalam was presented with an Honorary Doctorate of Engineering from the University of Sydney in 2011. The Dr Abdul Kalam International Postgraduate Scholarships celebrate his commitment to education, and his endeavours to support outstanding students to develop as future leaders.

2. Eligibility
   a. Applicants must be an international student and have an unconditional offer of admission for a masters by coursework program in the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies
   b. Applicants must have achieved a minimum distinction average (equivalent to 75 at the University of Sydney) in their undergraduate studies.
   c. All applicants must be commencing their degree in the same Semester and Year the Scholarship is offered.
   d. Students who have already commenced their postgraduate studies in the Faculty, or students transferring from another postgraduate program are not eligible.

3. Selection Criteria
   a. The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academic merit.
   b. The Scholarship will be awarded by a selection committee consisting of the Associate Dean (Education) or their nominated delegates.

4. Value
   a. The Scholarship is valued at 50% of the tuition fees and is tenable for one year only.
   b. The Scholarship will be processed for each relevant semester.
   c. The recipient will be required to pay for all relocation expenses to Sydney including airfares, overseas health cover, Student Amenities Fees, and any other costs associated with their studies.
   d. The Scholarship is for commencement in the relevant Semester and Year in which it is offered.

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e. 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.

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

g. 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. The recipient of the Scholarship is also required to enrol as a full-time international student and must maintain their international student status for the full duration of their Scholarship.

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. changes their program (i.e. course, major, stream) in their first year of study without prior approval,
   III. commences part-time study without prior approval,
   IV. student status changes from international to domestic,
   V. does not maintain satisfactory academic performance,
   VI. 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,
   VII. 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,
   VIII. does not resume study at the end of a period of approved leave, or
   IX. 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.