Professional Leadership Development Scholarship (MBA)

The Professional Leadership Development Scholarship supports professional or academic staff in leadership roles who are involved in the broader purposes of the University including its contribution to Australian society.

Scholarship value and duration
The scholarship covers full tuition fees for the normal duration of the Master of Business Administration (MBA) program and is tenable for up to three years of part-time study.

The student services and amenities fee (SAF) is payable by the scholarship holder.

Eligibility criteria
- The Scholarship is open to University of Sydney employees in a senior Professional or Academic leadership role, who are involved in the broader purposes of the University including its contribution to Australian society.
- Applicants are required to submit their curriculum vitae, a copy of their academic transcript and a one-page statement of motivation that addresses what the applicant hopes to achieve professionally and personally by completing the MBA.
- In addition, applicants should submit a further one-page statement addressing the scholarship selection criteria:
  a) leadership experience and potential
  b) problem-solving acuity
  c) ability to work in a diverse group; and
  d) international orientation.
- Submit a ‘Statement of Motivation’; a one-page statement outlining what the applicant hopes to achieve professionally and personally by completing the MBA Program.

For more information
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Background
Established and funded by The University of Sydney Business School.

Selection criteria
- Have a bachelor’s degree, graduate diploma or other AQF Level 7 qualification with a minimum credit (65%) average, or equivalent at an institution approved by the Business School and at a standard acceptable to the School; and
- Have met the work experience requirements of the Business School (at least 3 years work experience and experience in a management position).
- In exceptional circumstances, the School may admit applicants without these qualifications if, in the opinion of the School, they have qualifications and evidence of experience and achievement sufficient to successfully undertake the award.
- Attend a selection interview with the MBA Selection Committee to establish the candidate’s suitability for the degree.
- Attend an interview with the Scholarship Assessment Committee to assist the committee to determine their nominee for the scholarship award.

Ongoing eligibility
- The scholarship must be taken up in the semester in which it is offered.
- The scholarship holder is not permitted to defer or suspend their enrolment in the degree to receive the scholarship.
- The scholarship holder must maintain a continuous enrolment, no leave of absence is allowed, except under exceptional circumstances such as a medical condition which limits the student’s capacity to undertake study. Such requests must be supported by the Director, MBA.
- In the event that the scholarship holder changes degree or discontinues study the scholarship is no longer tenable.
Ongoing eligibility cont.

- If the scholarship holder leaves the employment of the University of Sydney they will no longer be entitled to scholarship support.

- The scholarship holder can continue with the Master of Business Administration after leaving the University’s employment, however they will need to make alternative payment arrangements directly with the University to cover the tuition fees for the unfinished units of study in the program.

- The award is conditional on the scholar meeting all regulations of the coursework program.

- To retain the scholarship, the holder must also achieve a 65% Credit Grade average each semester.

- The scholarship may not be held concurrently with other University scholarship funds awarded to assist with the student’s tuition fees.

- The scholarship holder will be invited to promote the MBA program in which they are enrolled and represent the Business School at student orientation, marketing events and corporate networking events.

- The MBA Selection Committee will shortlist a maximum of 3 applicants on the basis of how comprehensively they meet the selection criteria.

- The recipient must maintain a minimum enrolment load of three units (18 credit points) of study per year.

Payment schedule

- Tuition fees will be cleared after each census date.

Termination

- If the scholarship holder leaves the employment of the University of Sydney they will no longer be entitled to scholarship support. The scholarship holder can continue with the Executive MBA, however they will need to make alternative payment arrangements directly with the University to cover the tuition fees for the unfinished units of study in the program.