The Bangalore Community Placement Program Scholarship

Terms and Conditions

1. Background
   a. The Bangalore Community Placement Program scholarship for BUSS2503/ BUSS6508 Community Placement Program was first offered in the summer of 2014 to enrich the student experience and promote the international profile of this program.
   b. Students who enrol in BUSS2503 or BUSS6508 Community Placement Program will have a unique opportunity to travel to India. Students will help build social businesses and educate children living in poverty through the 40K Globe program. The 40K Globe program empowers poverty stricken villages in Bangalore by providing 'learning pods' (40K Plus) which are after school learning programs that teach literacy, numeracy and English to children through tablet technology.
   c. Students will travel to Bangalore for four weeks and assist the 40K Plus 'learning pods' while developing a social entrepreneurship impact project. Students will engage with children in their learning pods from 4pm to 6pm every day. Students will develop a life PLUS module where they will develop six two hour lessons on something they are passionate about.
   d. As part of their social entrepreneurship impact project, students will work on a social business idea that will generate profits that will assist in subsidizing the 40K Plus 'learning pods'. Students will work on their project in teams and go to the streets of Bangalore to transact with locals to get their project up and running.
   e. Students will receive six credit points for successfully completing the BUSS2503 or BUSS6508 unit of study.

2. Eligibility
   a. The Bangalore Community Placement Program scholarship is available to Business School students enrolled in BUSS2503 or BUSS6508 only. Students must meet the selection requirements below.
   b. To receive the Bangalore Community Placement Program scholarship, the student must:
      i) be registered in a University of Sydney Business School undergraduate degree or postgraduate degree and have completed a minimum of 48 undergraduate credit points OR 24 postgraduate credit points, prior to going on placement;
      ii) have a minimum credit average;
      iii) be an outstanding ambassador for the Business School (evidence of this will be demonstrated through academic achievements).

3. Selection Criteria
   a. The following information outlines the steps involved in the selection process:
      i) Students submit their application to 40K to participate in the 40K Globe program. 40K will select students to participate in the 40K Globe program.
      ii) Successful students who wish to apply to for BUSS2503 or BUSS6508 Community Placement Program, complete an online application form and indicate if they wish to apply for a scholarship.
      iii) Eligible students will be crossed checked against BUSS2503 or BUSS6508 Community Placement Program enrolment criteria to ensure they have completed a minimum of 48 undergraduate credit points or 24 postgraduate credit points with a credit average.
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iv) Eligible students who meet the above enrolment criteria will be enrolled in BUSS2503 OR BUSS6508 Community Placement Program.

v) Students who have applied for a scholarship are assessed by the nominated Business School committee. The committee will determine the successful scholarship applicant/s based on merit, that is, based on a Weighted Average Mark (WAM) of 68 or above in their degree and their ability to demonstrate their leadership potential, problem-solving acuity and ability to work in a diverse group.

vi) Students may also be assessed on a second selection category of merit and financial need, if applicable, with a minimum WAM of 65 in their degree and a review conducted on each student based on their written financial statement and the provision of Centrelink and Youth Allowance documents when received.

vii) Applicants are ranked for award with 60% of available scholarship places allocated based on merit and 40% allocated based on a combination of merit and financial need.

b. If the number of successful applicants assessed in either selection category does not fill the quota of available scholarship places, these places will be moved to the alternate selection category pending the calibre of remaining applicants are deemed sufficient for award.

4. Value

a. The Bangalore Community Placement Program scholarship is valued at $3,000.

b. Each scholarship will be based on academic merit, or a combination of academic merit and financial need determined by a Business School committee nominated by the Deputy Dean, the University of Sydney Business School.

c. Scholarship payments will be processed into the student’s nominated bank account in the semester and year the Community Placement is undertaken by the student.

5. Other Conditions

a. The Bangalore Community Placement Program scholarship must be accepted in the session in which it is offered.

b. The scholarship recipient is not permitted to defer or suspend their enrolment in BUSS2503 or BUSS6508 Community Placement Program.

c. Scholarship recipients already in receipt of a University primary value scholarship may also hold a secondary or primary value Community Placement Program scholarship concurrently under the separate purpose of Community Placement.

d. The scholarship recipient 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 complete the study requirements for BUSS2503 OR BUSS6508 (Community Placement Program).

e. The scholarship is conditional on the recipient meeting all regulations of the coursework program.

f. The scholarship is conditional on the recipient meeting visa requirements.