UN Women National Committee Australia MBA Scholarship

Terms and Conditions
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1. Background

a. This Scholarship has been generously funded by the University of Sydney Business School and the UN Women National Committee Australia to advance their shared commitment to women’s leadership and accelerating progress towards gender equality.

2. Eligibility

a. Female applicants who are an Australian Citizen, or New Zealand Citizen, or Australian Permanent Resident that are eligible for admission into the Master of Business Administration (MBA) within the Business School at the University of Sydney.

b. Applicants must not be employees of the University of Sydney or UN Women’s National Committee Australia.

3. Selection Criteria

a. The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of:

   I. eligibility for the MBA Program
   II. academic merit,
   III. curriculum vitae, and
   IV. a personal statement demonstrating leadership experience and potential; commitment to enhancing women’s leadership; an interest in international relations, gender and development; a passion for using business skills to drive social change; and what the applicant hopes to achieve professionally and personally by completing an MBA.

b. Shortlisted applicants will be invited at attend a discussion forum hosted by the University of Sydney Business School themed around gender and development issues. Attendees will be invited to then submit a short reflective essay on a topic provided at the forum.

c. Upon reviewing the essays, applicants will be further shortlisted and are required to attend an interview either in-person or by Skype for admission into the MBA. Those that attend the admission interview will be further shortlisted, with the remaining applicants required to attend an interview with the Scholarship Selection Committee.

d. The Scholarship will be awarded by a selection committee consisting of members from the UN Women National Committee Australia, Dean of the University of Sydney Business School, Program Director of the MBA, or their nominated delegates.

4. Value

a. The Scholarship will cover full tuition fees for a maximum of four years for a student enrolled part-time.
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b. Deferral of the Scholarship is not permitted without the prior permission of Program Director of the MBA and it is not transferable to another University school, faculty or university.

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

d. No other amount is payable. Recipients are responsible for the payment of the Student Services Amenities Fee (SSAF).

5. Ongoing eligibility

a. To continue receipt of the Scholarship, the recipient must maintain a minimum Semester Average Mark (SAM) of 75 each semester.

b. The recipient must maintain a minimum enrolment load of 18 credit points of study per year, with a continuous enrolment each semester. A student will only be permitted to suspend their studies due to exceptional circumstances, such as a documented medical condition which limits the student’s capacity to undertake academic studies. Requests to suspend must be approved by the Director of the MBA Program.

6. Termination

a. The Scholarship will be terminated if the recipient:

   I. withdraws from an eligible course or fails to enrol,
   II. does not enrol in a minimum of 18 credit points of study each year
   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 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.

7. Representation

a. The recipient will be invited to promote the MBA Program and represent the University of Sydney Business School at student orientation, marketing and corporate networking events.