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Susan Wakil Scholarship – Postgraduate Rural / Regional

Terms and Conditions

1. Background
   a. Established in 2016, this Scholarship has been generously donated by The Susan and Isaac Wakil Foundation to encourage individuals from rural or regional Australia to undertake a postgraduate Advanced Learning Masters (ALM) program at Sydney Nursing School, at the University of Sydney.

2. Eligibility
   a. To be eligible for the Scholarship, applicants:
      • must be from rural or regional Australia as defined by the Australian Government, and
      • are Australian citizens or permanent residents of Australia, and
      • will be commencing in the first year of an Advanced Learning Master’s degree at Sydney Nursing School (with the exception of the Master of Nursing - Nurse Practitioner), and
      • will be enrolled in 12 credit points each semester, and
      • will not be deferring their fees to a HECS-HELP loan.

3. Selection Criteria
   a. The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of their curriculum vitae, academic merit and a personal statement.
   b. Shortlisted applicants will be required to attend an interview with the selection committee and successful applicants will be selected based on both application and interview.
   c. The Scholarship will be awarded by a selection committee consisting of the Dean of Sydney Nursing School, or their nominated delegates.

4. Value
   a. The Scholarship is valued at $4,225 per semester to cover course fees. Any remaining funds will be dispersed to the student; students must not defer their fees to a HECS-HELP loan.
   b. A one-off payment of $500 will be made to the student in the first semester of award.
   c. The scholarship is tenable for 5 semesters only; the total value received by each scholarship holder is capped at $21,625.
   d. The scholarship value will be paid after the relevant census date of each semester; the value will be adjusted in accordance with section 5(b).
   e. Deferral of the Scholarship is not permitted and it is not transferable to another major, 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 SAM of 50 each semester.

b. Recipients are expected to enrol in at least 12 credit points each semester. Enrolment less than 12 credit points requires prior approval from the Associate Dean (Education).

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.

d. The scholarship holder is required to meet with the Associate Dean (Learning and Teaching) or the designated academic once a semester to discuss their progression.

e. The scholarship holder will be expected to prepare a brief note of thanks to the donor on an annual basis, including an update of their progress.

6. Termination

a. The Scholarship will be terminated if the recipient:

I. withdraws from an eligible course or fails to enrol,
II. enrols in less than 12 credit points without prior approval from the Associate Dean (Education),
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 it 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. 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.