Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences International Postgraduate Commencing Scholarship

Terms and Conditions
November 2018

1. Background

a. This Scholarship was established by the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences to assist international postgraduate research students with the costs of flights and other establishment costs.

2. Eligibility

a. Applicants must be an international applicant with an unconditional offer of admission for full-time studies in a Masters by Research or PhD within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at the University of Sydney.

b. Applicants must not have undertaken prior postgraduate (coursework or research) study at the University of Sydney.

3. Selection Criteria

a. The successful applicant will be awarded the Scholarship on the basis of academic merit.

b. The successful applicant will be awarded the Scholarship on the nomination of the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences.

4. Value

a. The Scholarship will provide a payment of $5,000 per annum and is tenable for one year only.

b. The Scholarship value will be paid after the coursework census date of the semester.

c. The Scholarship is for commencement in relevant research period in which it is offered. It may be deferred for up to a maximum of 12 month with prior approval of the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences.

d. The Scholarship cannot be transferred to another area of research without prior approval.

e. The Scholarship cannot be transferred to another university school, faculty or university.

f. No other amount is payable.

g. The Scholarship will be offered subject to the availability of funding.

5. Eligibility for Progression
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a. Progression is subject to passing the annual progress review.

6. Leave Arrangements

a. Not relevant.

7. Research Overseas

a. Not relevant.

8. Suspension

a. Not relevant.

9. Changes in Enrolment

a. The Scholarship recipient must notify HDRAC and their supervisor promptly of any planned changes to their enrolment including but not limited to: attendance pattern, suspension, leave of absence, withdrawal, course transfer, and candidature upgrade or downgrade. If the award holder does not provide notice of the changes identified above, the University may require repayment of any overpaid stipend.

10. Termination

a. Unless terminated earlier, the Scholarship will terminate:

I. on resignation or withdrawal of the student from their Masters by Research or PhD,
II. upon the student having completed 4 years equivalent full time study for a PhD, or 2 years equivalent full time study for a Masters by Research,
III. upon submission of the thesis or at the end of the award,
IV. if the student ceases to be a full-time student and prior approval has not been obtained to hold the Scholarship on a part-time basis,
V. does not resume study at the end of a period of approved leave, or
VI. If the student ceases to meet the eligibility requirements specified for this Scholarship, (other than during a period in which the Scholarship has been suspended or during a period of approved leave).

b. The Scholarship may also be terminated by the University before this time if, in the opinion of the University:

I. the course of study is not being carried out with competence and diligence or in accordance with the terms of this offer,
II. the student fails to maintain satisfactory progress, or
III. the student has committed misconduct or other inappropriate conduct.

c. Payments will be suspended throughout the duration of any enquiry/appeal process.
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d. Once the Scholarship has been terminated, it will not be reinstated unless due to University error.

11. Misconduct

a. Where during the Scholarship a student engages in misconduct, or other inappropriate conduct (either during the Scholarship or in connection with the student’s application and eligibility for the Scholarship), which in the opinion of the University warrants recovery of funds paid to the student, the University may require the student to repay amounts and any other payments made to the student in connection with the Scholarship. Examples of such conduct include and without limitation; academic dishonesty, research misconduct within the meaning of the Research Code of Conduct (for example, plagiarism in proposing, carrying out or reporting the results of research, or failure to declare or manage a serious conflict of interests), breach of the Code of Conduct for Students and misrepresentation in the application materials or other documentation associated with the Scholarship.

b. The University may require such repayment at any time during or after the Scholarship period. In addition, by accepting this Scholarship, the student consents to all aspects of any investigation into misconduct in connection with this Scholarship being disclosed by the University to the funding body and/or any relevant professional body.