



# UTS Scholarship Conditions of Award

## Bruce and Carol Kendall Undergraduate Memorial Scholarship

**Unit: Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research**

This document sets out the conditions of award for the below scholarship ('Scholarship') and the obligations of recipients ('Recipient') and the University of Technology ('UTS') in regard to this Scholarship. The administrative processes to support awarding this Scholarship will be managed, and may be amended, in accordance with UTS Rules, Policy and Procedures.

### **1. SCHOLARSHIP NAME**

Bruce and Carol Kendall Undergraduate Memorial Scholarship

### **2. PURPOSE**

This Scholarship was established by the Jumbunna Institute of Indigenous Education and Research ('Jumbunna') to acknowledge Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and their achievements, and to assist them complete their tertiary education at UTS.

This Scholarship was named in memory of Bruce and Carol Kendall who both graduated from UTS in 1990 with a Diploma in Teaching. They were committed to improving the future for Indigenous people through their involvement in education and the Stolen Generations. Bruce was involved with the UTS Council, NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG, state and local), and the Board of Adult and Community Education and TAFE Indigenous Programs as the Director of Eora College. Carol was the coordinator of Link-Up (NSW) Aboriginal Corporation and was also involved with NSW AECG (state and local) and the National Sorry Day Committee. Carol also received an OAM for her contribution to The Bringing Them Home Inquiry.

### **3. VALUE AND BENEFIT**

#### **3.1 Number of Recipients:**

A maximum of ten (10) new Recipients will be awarded the Scholarship each year.

#### **3.2 Benefit/s to Recipient:**

The value of the Scholarship to each Recipient is \$1,000.

#### **3.3 Payment of benefit/s:**

- Each Recipient will receive one (1) payment in the session of Scholarship offer by electronic funds transfer to their nominated bank account.
- Payment will be made after the census date of the Scholarship offer session, and usually within three weeks of the Recipient accepting the Scholarship offer.
- Payment is subject to the Recipient satisfying ongoing eligibility criteria as defined in clause 8.

### **4. DURATION**

The duration of the Scholarship is one (1) session. Extension of the Scholarship is not possible.

### **5. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

To be eligible for the Scholarship an applicant must:

- be of Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent and provide either:
  - a Confirmation of Aboriginality from a Local Aboriginal Land Council or other Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander organisation; or

- a UTS Statutory Declaration form accompanied by two written references from Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people from the applicant's community who can confirm their identity and are not an immediate family member; and
- be admitted into a UTS undergraduate course (including honours courses); and
- have successfully completed at least one (1) session (equivalent to 24 credit points) of study in an eligible course; and
- be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credit points in the Scholarship offer session; and
- apply for the Scholarship online using the UTS Scholarship Application Form.

## **6. RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA**

- Academic merit, based on the weighted average mark (WAM) of their current UTS course;
- Motivation to succeed in their chosen course, as demonstrated in the Scholarship application;
- Commitment to benefiting the Indigenous community, as demonstrated in the Scholarship application;
- Demonstrated initiative in personal and community life, as demonstrated in the Scholarship application.

## **7. SELECTION**

Eligible applicants will be presented to a Scholarship Selection Committee, which will undertake the selection of Recipients, based on the above selection criteria.

The Scholarship Selection Committee will consist of three (3) relevant members of the UTS community, chaired by the Director of Jumbunna (or their nominee).

Scholarship offers will be authorised by the Chair of the Scholarship Selection Committee in line with the Scholarships and Prizes Policy.

## **8. ONGOING RECIPIENT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

### **8.1 Academic progress:**

Not applicable.

### **8.2 UTS enrolment:**

The Recipient must continue to be enrolled full time or part time in a UTS undergraduate course for the duration of the Scholarship.

### **8.3 Leave / Deferral / Course withdrawal:**

- If the Recipient withdraws from their UTS course during the session in which the Scholarship is awarded, the Scholarship will be terminated and any Scholarship payment already made for the session in which they withdraw is to be reimbursed to UTS.
- Leave of absence is not permitted for this Scholarship.

### **8.4 Other obligations and conditions:**

- The offer of the Scholarship is made subject to information provided by the Recipient being true and accurate.
- Before accepting their offer, the Recipient is encouraged to seek advice from Jumbunna about scholarship conditions and ongoing eligibility requirements.
- The offer of the Scholarship is only valid for the intake defined in the Scholarship letter of offer and cannot be deferred.
- By accepting the offer of the Scholarship, the Recipient agrees to the Conditions of Award.
- Recipients must comply with all UTS Rules, Policies and Procedures, including those relating to conduct.
- Recipients of a Jumbunna scholarship valued at or above \$5,000 will not be eligible for further Jumbunna scholarships for the duration of the scholarship currently held. However, the Scholarships Selection Committee may seek approval from the Director of Jumbunna to waive this condition where mitigating circumstances exist at the time of selection.
- For the duration of the Scholarship the Recipient is not permitted to hold other, non-Jumbunna UTS scholarships, unless an equity-based scholarship is approved by exception.
- The Recipient is responsible for advising the Scholarships Office of any changes in circumstances that would make them ineligible for continuation of the Scholarship, for example, but not limited to, reducing study load to part-time, or deferring study.

- Any change in circumstances of the Recipient not addressed by these Conditions of Award will be considered by the Scholarships Office and/or the Scholarship Selection Committee case-by-case.
- The Recipient may be invited to consent to the use of their name, quotations, photographs, or videos of themselves for the promotion of UTS scholarships.
- The Recipient will be invited to attend an award ceremony coordinated by Jumbunna Indigenous House of Learning, and may be invited to attend other scholarship presentation ceremonies.
- At the end of the scholarship, the Recipient may apply for the Scholarship in the following year, and will be subject to the standard application and selection process.

#### **9. TERMINATION OF RECIPIENT'S SCHOLARSHIP**

The Scholarship will terminate if:

- the Recipient ceases to meet the eligibility criteria; or
- the Recipient breaches any conditions of the Scholarship; or
- UTS determines that the student is guilty of misconduct and after consultation with the Director, Student Administration Unit, the delegate able to award the Scholarship deems that it is not appropriate for the Recipient to continue to hold the Scholarship.

If the Scholarship is terminated due to breaching any conditions or misconduct, the Recipient may be required to reimburse UTS for any scholarship payments already made.