

# UTS Scholarship Conditions of Award Doctors & Co Scholarship

### **UTS Business School & Faculty of Health**

This document sets out the conditions of award for the below scholarship ('Scholarship') as well as the obligations of recipients ('Recipient') and the University of Technology Sydney ('UTS') in regards 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

## **Doctors & Co Scholarship**

#### 2. PURPOSE

The Doctors & Co Scholarship has been established to provide financial support for a commencing student residing in Greater Western Region (Sydney, New South Wales), who can demonstrate one or more disadvantages, and who are from a Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (C&LD) background. The scholarship aims to assist them with the costs of study in a UTS Business School or Faculty of Health undergraduate or postgraduate program.

#### 3. VALUE AND BENEFITDID

#### 3.1 Number of Recipients:

• Up to two (2) Recipients will be awarded the Scholarship each year

#### 3.2 Benefit/s to Recipient:

- The maximum total value of the Scholarship is \$5,000 to each Recipient.
- Opportunity to participate in the donor's mentorship program which will be brokered directly between the scholarship recipient and the donor
- The Recipient will also be offered a three (3) month paid internship with Doctors & Co

#### 3.3 Payment of benefit/s:

- Each Recipient will receive two payments per year by electronic funds transfer to their nominated bank account.
- Each payment will be \$2,500 (or the pro-rata amount if part-time study has been approved by exception as defined in clause 8.2).
- Payment will usually be made within four weeks after the census dates in Autumn and Spring sessions
- Payments are subject to the Recipient satisfying ongoing eligibility criteria as defined in clause
   8.

#### 4. DURATION

The duration of each Scholarship is one (1) year.

The duration of the Scholarship may be extended if part-time study has been approved by exception as per clause 8.2.

## 5. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for the Scholarship, an applicant must:

- Be an Australian or New Zealand citizen, or the holder of an Australian permanent resident visa or humanitarian protection visa;<sup>1</sup> and
- Be residing in the Greater Western Sydney Region at the time of applying; and
- Be enrolled or intending to enrol full-time in a UTS Health or Business undergraduate or postgraduate coursework degree:
- Apply for a Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) Equity Scholarship and therein in demonstrate one or more educational barriers:
  - Carer responsibilities
  - Medical Disadvantage
  - Sole Parent
  - English language difficulty;
  - Refugee status
  - Financial hardship
- Be from a Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (C&LD) background that meets one of the following criteria:
  - o Arrived in Australia as an immigrant or refugee from a non-English speaking country; or
  - A child of migrant parent/s of whom are from a non-English speaking country; and
  - Applicants must provide evidence of cultural and linguistically diverse background or affiliation: Refugee visa, documentation that proves that both of your parents are migrants from a non- English speaking background (birth certificate), documentation that proves the applicant is their child (birth certificate) or Letter of confirmation from the President or Chairperson of a cultural community group you belong to, including the organisation's common seal; and
- All candidates must apply via UTS Scholarship online application form including provision of a Curriculum Vitae outlining education and work experience to date; and
- All candidates must be available to attend an interview (online or in person).

#### 6. RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA

As demonstrated in the Scholarship application and interview process:

- Motivation and commitment to succeed in their UTS degree program
- Demonstrated initiative to seek opportunities to continually advance their professional and personal lives
- Motivation to contribute to the community

#### 7. SELECTION

Eligible candidates will be presented to a Scholarships Committee, which will undertake the selection of the Recipient based on the above selection criteria.

The Scholarship Selection Committee will consist of at least three (3) relevant members of the UTS community:

- Chaired by the Director, Student Administration (or their respective nominee),
- A representative from both the UTS Business School and the Faculty of Health
- Is to include a member experienced in the selection of equity scholarships.
- The Donor (or their nominee) will be invited to sit on the Committee.

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:

The Recipient must maintain a minimum Pass average (WAM 50+) per session.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Humanitarian Protection Visa include a permanent humanitarian visa; or have temporary aslyum seeker or refugee residence status and hold a Bridging Visa E or A (and has made an application for a Protection Visa), or Temporary Protection Visa (Subclass 785), or Safe Haven Entreprise Visa (Subclass 790)1

#### 8.2 UTS Enrolment:

The Recipient:

- must continue to be enrolled full-time<sup>2</sup> (minimum of 18 credit points/session) in an eligible UTS undergraduate or postgraduate course; or
- in particular circumstances may apply to the Scholarships Office for approval of a part-time study load. The Recipient with an approved part-time study load may receive reduced pro-rata payments for the period of part-time study.
- may apply to the Scholarships Office to transfer the Scholarship to another eligible UTS course, if a
  course transfer is being sought. All payments received by the Recipient, under any course, will
  accumulate towards their total payments received.

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

- If the Recipient defers the UTS offer or withdraws from the UTS course after the start of their first teaching session, the Scholarship maybe terminated and any Scholarship payment already made for the teaching session in which they withdraw is to be reimbursed to UTS.
- After the first teaching session in which the Scholarship is awarded, the Recipient may apply to the Scholarships Office to place the Scholarship on hold for the duration of approved leave of absence from studies. If the application is approved, payment of the Scholarship will be suspended for the period of leave. The Scholarship will be terminated if the Recipient does not apply to the UTS Scholarships Office to place the Scholarship on hold.
- Payments will be resumed to the Recipient after an approved leave of absence until the remaining value of the Scholarship has been paid or another leave of absence is approved.

#### 8.4 Academic Integrity:

- UTS takes Academic Integrity very seriously and breaches (e.g. plagiarism, cheating, etc.) are considered
  Academic Misconduct. For more information on Academic Integrity at UTS can be found on the UTS
  Current Students pages of the UTS website.
- Any Academic Misconduct allegations proven by the University (and upheld if appealed) will result in the termination of this Scholarship and the University might require the Recipient to repay the total benefit received at time of termination.

#### 8.5 Other obligations and conditions:

- The offer of the Scholarship is made subject to information provided by the Recipient being true and accurate.
- By accepting the offer of the Scholarship, the Recipient agrees to the Conditions of Award.
- The offer of the Scholarship is only valid for the intake defined in the Scholarship letter of offer and cannot be deferred.
- For the duration of the Scholarship the Recipient is not permitted to hold other UTS scholarships, unless an equity-based scholarship is approved by exception.
- The Recipient is responsible for advising the UTS Scholarships Office of any changes in circumstances that would make her ineligible for continuation of the Scholarship, e.g. reducing study load to part-time, taking leave of absence or deferring study.
- Any change in the Recipient's circumstances 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 will be invited to consent to allowing her name, photograph and a short article to be used for the promotion of UTS and for donor reporting purposes.

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

The Scholarship may be terminated if:

- the Recipient ceases to meet the eligibility criteria; or
- the Recipient breaches any conditions of the Scholarship; or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Recipients enrolled in non-standard subjects including but not limited to practical professional experience subjects required for course completion, or Recipients undertaking a semester of exchange approved by UTS who maintain their enrolment status at UTS through exchange subjects, will be considered case-by-case as part of the standard ongoing eligibility checking each semester

• UTS determines that a student has a misconduct allegation proven, after consultation with the Director, Student Administration and 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.