



UTS Scholarship Conditions of Award

Dr Bob Morgan Exchange 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

Dr Bob Morgan Exchange Scholarship

2. PURPOSE

This Scholarship was established by the Jumbunna Institute of Indigenous Education and Research ('Jumbunna') to assist Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to reach their educational goals and to enhance their in-class study with an overseas experience which relates to their UTS course.

3. VALUE AND BENEFIT

3.1 Number of Recipients:

Usually, one (1) Recipient will be awarded the Scholarship each year, however if the Selection Committee ranks more than one candidate equally, the scholarship monies may be divided between a maximum of four (4) Recipients.

3.2 Benefit/s to Recipient:

The value of the Scholarship to each Recipient will be determined by the Scholarship Selection Committee at the time of award, with a minimum value of \$1,000 and a maximum value of \$4,000. The total value of the Scholarship(s) awarded is not to exceed \$4,000.

3.3 Payment of benefit/s:

- Each Recipient will receive one payment by electronic funds transfer to their nominated bank account.
- The payment amount will be determined by the Scholarship Selection Committee at the time of selection, and is dependent on the number of Recipients, as outlined in clause 3.2.
- Payment is subject to the Recipient accepting the Scholarship within the timeframe as stipulated in clause 4.
- Payment is usually made during the session of the overseas experience, upon the Scholarships Office receiving documentation confirming the travel dates and locations of the overseas experience such as:
 - UTS International or Faculty confirmation of approved in-country study or exchange; or
 - a letter from the overseas employer (if undertaking course related work experience); or
 - other details accepted by the Scholarships Office case-by-case.

4. DURATION

- The duration of the Scholarship is one (1) session.
- The Scholarship must be accepted by the Recipient and bestowed by the Scholarships Office within the calendar year in which the Scholarship is offered.
- Extension of the Scholarship is not possible.
- Previous Recipients may reapply for the Scholarship in subsequent years of their UTS undergraduate course.

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
- have completed at least one (1) session (equivalent to 24 credit points) of study in a UTS undergraduate course with a minimum pass average; and
- be enrolled in a UTS undergraduate course for the duration of the Scholarship; and
- apply for the Scholarship online using the UTS Scholarship Application Form.

In addition to the above, the applicant must undertake one of the following within the calendar year in which the Scholarship is offered:

- in-country study as an enrolled UTS International Studies student; or
- an exchange program at a UTS-approved overseas institution; or
- an overseas experience which can be demonstrated to enhance their educational experience.

6. RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA

- Academic merit, based on the weighted average mark (WAM) of their current UTS course;
- Motivation to succeed in the nominated UTS course, as demonstrated in the Scholarship application;
- Commitment to benefiting the Indigenous community, as demonstrated in the Scholarship application;
- Priority may be given to a student undertaking study at a university that is an overseas partner to UTS.

7. SELECTION

Eligible applicants will be presented to the Scholarship Selection Committee, which will undertake the selection of Recipients 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 of Jumbunna (or their nominee).

Scholarship applications usually open in Spring session of the previous year, to allow sufficient time for students who have begun planning their overseas travel to plan and apply for the Scholarship. The selection of Recipients will usually take place in Autumn session.

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 as there are no ongoing payments.

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 Deferral / Leave / Course withdrawal:

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

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.
- 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.
- 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, taking leave of absence, 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 and may be invited to attend other scholarship presentation ceremonies.

9. TERMINATION OF RECIPIENT'S SCHOLARSHIP

The Scholarship will terminate if:

- the Recipient cancels their overseas experience; or
- 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.