



UTS Scholarship Conditions of Award

Garth Barnett Scholarship

Faculty of Design, Architecture & Building

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 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: Garth Barnett Scholarship.

2. PURPOSE

The Garth Barnett Scholarship is offered in memory of Garth Barnett, a self-taught designer and mentor who helped students commencing their career in architecture and design.

This scholarship aims to provide financial support for students going into their second year of study who have demonstrated a passion and talent for design, specifically in Interior Architecture. Preference will be given to applicants who have experienced financial hardship and/or other educational barriers.

3. VALUE AND BENEFIT

3.1 Number of Recipients:

A maximum of three (3) new Recipients may be awarded the Scholarship each year.

3.2 Benefit/s to Recipient:

- The total value of the scholarship to each Recipient is \$18,000.
- Recipients will receive \$9,000 per year, for the Scholarship's maximum duration as defined in clause 4.

3.3 Payment of benefit/s:

- Each Recipient will receive two (2) payments per year by electronic funds transfer to their nominated bank account.
- Each payment will be either the minimum of \$4,500 (or the pro-rata amount if part-time study has been approved by exception as defined in Clause 8.2).
- Payment will be made approximately 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 below.

4. DURATION

- The maximum duration of the Scholarship is two (2) years.
- The duration of the Scholarship may be extended if the Recipient is approved to study part-time as defined in clause 8.2
- For recipients with less than two years remaining on their course at the time of award the scholarship may be exhausted prior to the maximum duration.

5. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for the Scholarship, an applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Be commencing their second year of a Bachelor of Design in Interior Architecture (single or combined) at UTS in the Autumn session of the Scholarship selection.
- Have a minimum weighted average mark (WAM) of 60 or above.
- Completed a minimum of 36 credit points in one of the eligible degrees.
- All candidates must apply using the UTS Scholarships Application form to be eligible.
- All candidates must be available to attend an interview (Zoom or Face to Face).

In addition, preference will be given to applicants who have demonstrated financial disadvantage and/or other education barriers.

Applicants who intend to provide evidence of the preferential criteria will need to apply through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) for an Equity Scholarship, or get an independent financial assessment through the Financial Assistance Service that confirms they meet the preferential criteria.

6. RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA

As demonstrated in the Scholarship application and interview:

- Passion and talent for interior design; and
- Motivation to pursue a career in interiors using innovative thinking and exceptional problem-solving skills; and
- Demonstrated initiative to seek opportunities to continually advance their professional and personal lives; and
- How their aspirations and goals aligned to the values of Garth Barnett.
- Likelihood that the Scholarship will increase the ability of the Recipient to complete their UTS course at a higher level of performance than would otherwise be the case.

Preference may be given to students experiencing financial hardship and/or multiple educational barriers.

7. SELECTION

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

The Committee will be made up of at least three (3) relevant members of the UTS community, chaired by the Dean of the Faculty of Design, Architecture and Building (or their nominee), and is to include both a member experienced in the selection of scholarships and a member nominated by the Executive Director, Social Justice (Centre for Social Justice and Inclusion). The Donor (or their representative) will be invited to sit on the Committee.

Shortlisted applicants are interviewed and selected based on selection criteria as outlined in Clause 6. Offers will be authorised by the chair of the Scholarship Selection Committee.

8. ONGOING RECIPIENT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

8.1 Academic progress:

The Recipient must maintain a minimum Pass Average (WAM 50+) for the duration of the scholarship.

8.2 UTS Enrolment:

The Recipient:

- Must continue to be enrolled full-time¹ (equivalent to a minimum of 18 credit points in Autumn and Spring sessions) in one of the specified UTS undergraduate programs; or
- May, in exceptional circumstances apply to UTS Scholarships 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.

¹Recipients enrolled in non-standard subjects including but not limited to practical professional experience subjects required for course completion, or Recipients undertaking a session 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 session.

8.3 Leave / Deferral / Course withdrawal:

- If the Recipient withdraws from the UTS course after the start of their first session, the Scholarship will be terminated, and any Scholarship payment already made for the session in which they withdraw is to be reimbursed to UTS.
- Withdrawing from a part of a combined course are not considered course transfers for the purpose of these Scholarship conditions. The student must continue to be enrolled in the Bachelor of Design in Interior Architecture to be eligible.
- After the first session in which the Scholarship is awarded, the Recipient may apply to UTS Scholarships to place the Scholarship on hold for the duration of an approved leave of absence from studies. If the application is approved by UTS Scholarships, payment of the Scholarship will be suspended for the period of leave.
- Provided the Recipient remains eligible, payment to the Recipient will be resumed 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) may 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, excluding other Garth Barnett awards or other equity-based scholarship which are approved by exception.
- The Recipient is responsible for advising UTS Scholarships of any changes in circumstances that would make them 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 UTS Scholarships and/or the Scholarship Selection Committee case-by-case.
- The Recipient will be invited to consent to allowing their name, photograph and a short article to be used for the promotion of the Scholarship and UTS.
- The Recipient understands that they have a responsibility to facilitate communication with the Donor whose contribution has made this opportunity possible. This communication may be informal or formal in nature, and may include but not limited to: correspondence via email, mail, or phone; and providing updates on course progress.

9. TERMINATION OF RECIPIENT'S SCHOLARSHIP

The Scholarship may be terminated:

- If the Recipient ceases to meet the eligibility criteria; or
- If the Recipient breaches any conditions of the Scholarship.
- UTS determines the student has had a misconduct allegation proven, after consultation with the Director, Student Administration, 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.