



UTS Scholarship Conditions of Award

Richard Crookes Construction Merit Scholarship for Women

This document sets out the conditions of award for the below scholarship ('Scholarship') as well as the obligations of recipients ('Recipient') and 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: Richard Crookes Construction Merit Scholarship for Women

2. PURPOSE

The **Richard Crookes Construction Merit Scholarship for Women** has been established to recognise the academic excellence of female students in fields of study relevant to the building industry, with the desire to support and increase the number of qualified female professionals in the building industry.

The Scholarship will support a female student in the Faculty of Engineering and IT (FEIT) or the Faculty of Design, Architecture and Building (DAB).

3. VALUE AND BENEFIT

3.1 Number of Recipients:

- One (1) Recipient will be awarded the Scholarship each year.

3.2 Benefit/s to Recipient:

- The maximum total value of the Scholarship is \$7,000 to each recipient.
- In addition to the Scholarship, the Recipient will have an opportunity to undertake a paid work placement at Richard Crookes Construction, which is to take place at a mutually convenient time, and as arranged between the Recipient and Richard Crookes Construction. The placement should meet the minimum course requirements.

3.3 Payment of benefit/s:

- The Recipient will receive two payments per year by electronic funds transfer to her nominated bank account.
- Each payment will be \$3,500 (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 below.

4. DURATION

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

¹ Scholarship duration may be extended to two years if part-time study is approved in exceptional circumstances.

5. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

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

- Australian or New Zealand citizen, or the holder of an Australian permanent resident visa or permanent humanitarian visa; and
- Enrolled in one of the specified UTS degrees with relevant majors, having successfully completed the specified credit points or greater in their course at the time of the scholarship application;
 - Bachelor of Engineering (Honours), Diploma in Professional Engineering Practice degree (majoring in Civil Engineering or Civil and Environmental Engineering) and 192 Credit Points; or
 - Bachelor of Engineering, Diploma in Engineering Practice course (majoring in Civil Engineering or Civil and Environmental Engineering) and 156 Credit Points; or
 - combined Bachelor of Engineering course (with a major in Civil Engineering or Civil and Environmental Engineering) and 192 Credit Points; or
 - Bachelor of Construction Project Management course and 96 Credit Points; or
 - Bachelor of Design in Architecture and 96 Credit Points; or
 - Bachelor Design in Architecture / B. Design in Creative Intelligence and Innovation and 192 Credit Points; and
- For the duration of the Scholarship: full-time or part-time enrolment² in one of the specified degrees and relevant majors; and
- Be intending to pursue a career in the building industry, as demonstrated in the Scholarship Application; and
- All candidates must apply using the UTS online Scholarships Application form to be eligible; and
- All candidates must be available to attend an interview in person.

6. RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA

- Academic merit (overall WAM of 70 or above) in their current UTS FEIT or DAB course relevant to a career in the building industry;
- Motivation to pursue a career in the building industry, as demonstrated in the Scholarship application and interview;
- Personal achievements, showing extra-curricular excellence such as community activities and otherwise, as demonstrated in the scholarship application and interview.

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 relevant members of the UTS community, chaired by the Director, Student Administration Unit (or nominee) and is to include a representative from the Faculty of Design, Architecture and Building, and the Faculty of Engineering and IT. The Donor (or their representative) will be invited to sit on the Committee.

Shortlisted applicants are interviewed and selected based on selection criteria as described 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 per session, with no fails. Where pass average is not achieved, the Scholarship will be terminated, unless the Recipient can demonstrate exceptional circumstances³ to the satisfaction of the Scholarship Selection Committee.

² Part-time enrolment may be approved in exceptional circumstances.

³ Exceptional circumstances may include, but are not limited to, severe disruptions, disability, ongoing illness, carer's responsibilities and other education barriers, and are considered by the Scholarship Selection Committee on a case-by-case basis.

8.2 UTS Enrolment:

The Recipient:

- must continue to be enrolled full-time⁴ (equivalent to a minimum of 18 credit points in Autumn and Spring sessions) in a UTS FEIT or DAB undergraduate degree; or
- may, in exceptional circumstances³ 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.

8.3 Leave / Deferral/Course withdrawal:

- If the Recipient defers the UTS offer or withdraws from the UTS course after the start of his/her 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.
- After the first 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 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 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 Scholarships Office of any changes in circumstances that would make him/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 his/her name, photograph and a short article to be used for the promotion of UTS.
- Previous scholarship recipients can apply for the scholarship in consecutive years.

9. TERMINATION OF RECIPIENT'S SCHOLARSHIP

The Scholarship will terminate:

- If the Recipient ceases to meet the eligibility criteria; or
- If the Recipient breaches any conditions of the Scholarship; or
- If UTS determines that the student is guilty of misconduct and after consultation with the Director, Governance Support 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.

⁴ Recipients 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.