

UTS Scholarship Conditions of Award

St Catherine's Elite Athlete Scholarship

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: St Catherine's Elite Athlete Scholarship

2. PURPOSE

The **St Catherine's Elite Athlete Scholarship** has been established to provide financial support for a St Catherine's School graduate to continue their participation in their chosen sport during their first year of study at UTS.

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 value of the Scholarship is \$5,000 to the recipient over one year.

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 \$2,500 (or the pro-rata amount if enrolled in part-time study as per clause 8.2).
- Payment will usually be made within four weeks after the Census date 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) year¹.

5. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

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

- A graduate of St Catherine's School, Waverley, in the year prior to the scholarship being awarded; and
- Australian or New Zealand citizen, or the holder of an Australian permanent resident visa or permanent humanitarian visa; and
- Must be accepted into the UTS Elite and Emerging Athlete Program and compete as a:
 - World Class Athlete (Olympian, World Championships); or
 - National Team (Open or Junior) member; or
 - Elite athlete who competes at a National level; or
 - Emerging Athlete competing at a state level; and
- All candidates must apply using the UTS online Scholarships Application form to be eligible

¹ Scholarship duration will be extended to two years if the recipient has a part-time study load.

6. RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA

- Ranked in Sporting Achievement order, as determined by the UTS Elite and Emerging Athlete Program;
- Motivation to succeed in their chosen UTS course as demonstrated in the Scholarship application;
- Demonstrated initiative to seek opportunities to continually advance their personal, professional, community and sporting life, as demonstrated by the Scholarship application;
- Likelihood that the receipt of the Scholarship will significantly increase the recipients' academic and athletic progress at a higher level of performance than would otherwise be the case, as demonstrated by the Scholarship application; and
- Academic merit (ATAR or equivalent) may be taken into consideration.

8. SELECTION

Eligible candidates will be presented to a Scholarships 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 Elite Athlete Program. The Donor (or their representative) will be invited to sit on the Committee.

Offers will be authorised by the Chair of the Scholarships Selection Committee.

9. ONGOING RECIPIENT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

9.1 Academic progress:

- The Recipient must maintain a minimum Pass average per session.

9.2 UTS Enrolment:

The Recipient:

- must continue to be enrolled part-time or full-time for the duration of the Scholarship;
- may apply to the Scholarships Office to transfer the Scholarship to another approved UTS undergraduate program, as outlined in clause 4, if a course transfer is being sought.

9.3 Athletic progress:

- The Recipient must continue to be member of the UTS Elite and Emerging Athlete Program for the duration of the Scholarship and compete at a:
 - World Class Athlete (Olympian, World Championships); or
 - National Team (Open or Junior) member; or
 - Elite athlete who competes at a National level; or
 - Emerging Athlete competing at a state level

9.4 Leave / Deferral/Course withdrawal:

- If the Recipient defers the UTS offer or withdraws from the UTS course after the start of 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.

9.5 Other obligations and conditions:

- The offer of the Scholarship is made subject to the 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 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 on a case-by-case basis.
- The Recipient will be invited to consent to allowing her name, photograph and a short article to be used for the promotion of UTS.

9. TERMINATION OF RECIPIENT'S SCHOLARSHIP

The Scholarship will terminate:

- If the Recipient ceases to meet the eligibility criteria; or
- If the Recipient ceases to meet the UTS Elite and Emerging Athlete 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, 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.