

# UTS Scholarship Conditions of Award

## The UTS Animal Logic Academy Scholarship

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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: The UTS Animal Logic Academy Scholarship

#### 2. PURPOSE

To recognise the diverse pathways to a creative career in animation and visualisation.

This scholarship will assist the Recipient(s) to complete their course by meeting the cost of their tuition fees.

#### 3. VALUE AND BENEFIT

##### 3.1 Number of Recipients:

- A minimum of one (1) new Recipient will be awarded the Scholarship each year.

##### 3.2 Benefit/s to Recipient:

- The scholarship will cover the recipient's tuition fees for the standard duration (one year) of the course

##### 3.3 Payment of benefit/s:

- The Scholarship payment for tuition fees is made directly to the Recipient's UTS fees account in each session of enrolment at UTS.

#### 4. DURATION

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

#### 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 permanent humanitarian visa; and
- Be enrolled in or intend to enrol in the Master of Animation and Visualisation, and
- Meet one or more the following criteria:
  - be seeking a return to education from industry after a minimum of three (3) years working at mid-level in an area of specialisation; or
  - be seeking a return to industry after a period away from a role in industry but having previously attained mid-level in an area of specialisation; or
  - demonstrate exceptional programming experience and a knowledge of VFX/animation industries; or
  - be seeking to cross-train after a successful career in a related field; or
  - demonstrate a case of financial hardship that would otherwise exclude them from participating in the program.
- All candidates must apply using the UTS online Scholarships Application form to be eligible.
- All candidates must be available to attend an interview in person.

#### 6. RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA

Applicants will be required to submit a 1,000 word persuasive statement demonstrating each of the following:

- Motivation to succeed in the field of visual effects, animation and visualisation
- Initiative and achievements in personal and professional life

- Why they should be considered for the scholarship, addressing one or more of the eligibility criteria
- Students that wish to make a case for financial hardship should include a statement on how receiving the scholarship would make it possible for them to participate in the program.

## **7. SELECTION**

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

The Scholarships Committee will be made up of at least three relevant members of the UTS community, chaired by the Head of the Animal Logic Academy (or their nominee), and is to include a member experienced in the selection of equity scholarships. A member of Animal Logic (or their representative) will be invited to sit on the Committee.

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.

### **8.2 UTS Enrolment:**

The Recipient must continue to be enrolled full-time in the Master of Animation and Visualisation at UTS.

### **8.3 Leave / Course withdrawal:**

- If the Recipient withdraws from the UTS course after the start of his/her first semester, the Scholarship will be terminated.
- Leave of absence is not permitted for this scholarship.

### **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, each 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 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 the Scholarships Office and/or the Scholarship Selection Committee case-by-case.

## **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, 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.