UTS Scholarship Conditions of Award
Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship

Faculty of Engineering and Information Technology

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: Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship

2. PURPOSE
The Young Technologists Scholarship has been established by the Westpac Bicentennial Foundation to deepen and broaden Australia’s pool of technology talent, by encouraging greater diversity and removing socioeconomic barriers to study.

3. VALUE AND BENEFIT
3.1 Number of Recipients:
A minimum of five (5) new Recipients will be awarded the Scholarship

3.2 Benefit/s to Recipient:
- Each Recipient enrolled in a four (4) year course will receive up to $5,000 per year for the Scholarship’s maximum duration as defined in clause 4. The maximum total value of the Scholarship is $20,000 per Recipient.
- Each Recipient enrolled in a five (5) year course will receive up to $5,000 per year for the Scholarship’s maximum duration as defined in clause 4. The maximum total value of the Scholarship is $25,000 per Recipient.

Scholarship recipients will become members of the Westpac Scholars Alumni program and gain access to ongoing networking, learning and development opportunities.

3.3 Payment of benefit/s:
- Each Recipient will receive two payments per year by Electronic Funds Transfer to their nominated bank account.
- Each payment will be $2,500 (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 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:
- Four (4) years for Recipients enrolled in:
  - Bachelor of Science in Information Technology, Diploma in IT Professional Practice
  - Bachelor of Science in Information Technology, Bachelor of Creative Intelligence and Innovation
  - Bachelor of Business, Bachelor of Science in Information Technology
  - Bachelor of Computing Science (Honours)
• Five (5) years for Recipients enrolled in:
  o Bachelor of Science in Information Technology, Bachelor of Laws
  o Bachelor of Science in Information Technology, Bachelor of Arts in International Studies
  o Bachelor of Engineering (Honours), Diploma in Professional Engineering Practice with a major in either ICT Engineering, ICT Engineering (Telecommunications), ICT Engineering (Software), ICT Engineering (Network Security), ICT Engineering (Computer Systems), Data Engineering or Software Engineering

5. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA
To be eligible for the Scholarship, an applicant must meet all of the following criteria:
• Australian citizen, or the holder of an Australian permanent resident visa or permanent humanitarian visa; and
• Current school leaver who received an Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR) or equivalent score; or
• Non-current school leavers, under 26 years of age at the commencement of the relevant academic year; and
• Achieved an ATAR or equivalent of 80 or above, excluding bonus points; and
• For the duration of the Scholarship: full-time enrolment in one of the specified UTS undergraduate degrees and relevant majors; and
• All candidates must apply using the UTS online Scholarships Application form to be eligible.
• Scholarships will only be awarded to applicants who personally attend an interview.
• Applicants wanting to evidence financial disadvantage or other equity barriers should apply through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) for an Equity Scholarship or the Educational Access Scheme

In addition, preference will be given to applicants who meet one or more of the following criteria:
• Female; and/or
• from non-English speaking backgrounds (NESB); and/or
• people with disabilities or long term medical condition; and/or
• from regional and remote areas; and/or
• Indigenous Australian students; and/or
• Experiencing educational barriers and/or personal hardship (including but not limited to carers, sole parents, refugees).

6. RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA,
• Ranked in ATAR order
• Motivation to pursue a career in technology using innovative thinking and exceptional problem-solving skills, as demonstrated in the Scholarship application and interview
• Demonstrated initiative to seek opportunities to continually advance their professional and personal lives, as demonstrated in the Scholarship application and interview
• Commitment to become an active Westpac Scholars Alumni member and to make an influential contribution to raising the profile of technology in Australia, as demonstrated in the Scholarship application and interview

7. SELECTION
Shortlisted applicants are interviewed and selected based on the above selection criteria. Scholarships will only be awarded to applicants who personally attend an interview.

Applications of shortlisted eligible candidates will be presented to a Scholarship Selection Committee, which will undertake the selection of Recipients, usually in February. The Scholarship Selection

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1 Other Engineering majors as agreed between Westpac Bicentennial Foundation and UTS may also be considered, usually at the time of selection.
Committee will be made up of at least three relevant members of the UTS community, chaired by the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technology (or their nominee), and is to include a member experienced in the selection of equity scholarships. The Donor (or their representative) will be invited to sit on the Selection Panel. Offers will be authorised by the Chair of the Selection Committee.

8. ONGOING RECIPIENT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

8.1 Academic progress:
The Recipient must maintain a minimum credit average (WAM 65 +), per session.

8.2 UTS Enrolment: The Recipient:
- must continue to be enrolled full-time (minimum 18 credit points per session) in one of the specified UTS undergraduate program at UTS; or
- may in particular circumstances 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.
- must 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. Only course transfers to a course of the same or a lesser duration as the original degree will be considered. Furthermore;
  - Deleting a Bachelor of Arts International Studies/Bachelor of Creative Intelligence and Innovation from a combined course, or withdrawing from a part of a combined course are not considered a course transfer for the purpose of these Scholarship conditions.
  - Combined degrees will only be approved for Recipients at the time of selection and confirmed in the Scholarship Letter of Offer.
  - No increase in the duration as outlined in clause 4, will apply, if a course transfer is approved.

8.3 Leave / Deferral/Course withdrawal:
- If the Recipient defers the UTS offer or 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.
- 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 by the Scholarships office, payment of the Scholarship will be suspended for the period of leave.

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.
- The Recipient does not need to re-apply for the Scholarship each year.

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2 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.
• 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.

• By accepting the offer of the Scholarship, each Recipient agrees to allow for their personal information to be provided to the Westpac Bicentennial Foundation (or any third party engaged by the Westpac Bicentennial Foundation) and authorises the External Funder (or third parties engaged by the Westpac Bicentennial Foundation) to use that information for any purpose in connection with:
  o promoting the Scholarship Program or the Westpac Bicentennial Foundation;
  o operating and developing the Program.

• Following completion of the Scholarship and UTS undergraduate degree:
  o the Recipient is expected to become an active Westpac Scholars Alumni member for the first 12 months after the scholarship, to actively share their experience, attend Alumni events and promote the scholarship within their educational Institution.
  o the Recipient will complete an in-depth report of their experience which can be used to promote scholarship experience by the University, External Funder or any 3rd party engaged by either entity.

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, SAU, 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.

10. FUNDING
10.1 Internal UTS funding: None.

10.2 External Funding: The Donor has committed to funding 5 new Recipients commencing in 2018. The donor may allocate UTS additional places in the Young Technologist program should they become available in any given year and will be confirmed prior to selection. The donor will provide an additional $5,000 per year for each scholarship place

10.3 Funding Projection: Three year projection (estimates only, as course length and number awarded varies)

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