

# The Professor Beryl Nashar Scholarship for Excellence in Chemistry

# **Terms and Conditions**

#### **BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF KEY CONDITIONS**

The intention of this scholarship is to recognise the academic achievements in Chemistry. It is awarded to a high achieving Bachelor of Science (Honours) student undertaking their program in the Discipline of Chemistry.

If accepting an offer of this scholarship, you will:

- Maintain your enrolment and academic progress with the University of Newcastle for the duration of the scholarship
- Notify <a href="mailto:scholarships@newcastle.edu.au">scholarships@newcastle.edu.au</a> of any changes to your circumstances such as reduced study load, change in program, or withdrawal from study that may impact your eligibility for this scholarship.
- Agree to send a thank-you message to the scholarship donor within two weeks of accepting your offer (as per the instructions in your offer email);
- Be available for a presentation ceremony during Scholars Week (usually around August/September).

The total value of this scholarship is \$1,000 for a term of 1 year.

#### **ESTABLISHMENT**

This Scholarship was established in 2013 by Tarek Nashar, who wished to establish a scholarship to honour the significant contribution of his mother Professor Beryl Nashar to Geology, as the first Professor of Geology at the University of Newcastle. The scholarship has been established to encourage and reward a student who has excelled in their third year Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Science (Advanced) and is undertaking the Bachelor of Science (Honours) program in the Discipline of Chemistry.

## **FUNDING ARRANGEMENT**

This scholarship is funded by Tarek Nashar.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible for this scholarship, you will need to:

- Be undertaking the Bachelor of Science (Honours) program in the discipline of Chemistry';
- Have studied the Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Science (Advanced) with the University of Newcastle for the full duration of the program;
- Be intending to study on a full-time basis or part-time basis;
- Demonstrate academic achievement of a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 6.0 in your prior program;
- Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident.

#### **REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION**

There is no application or documentation required for this scholarship.

#### **SELECTION**

No application is required for this scholarship.

Selection will be conducted by the Scholarships Officer in conjunction with the Head of Chemistry Discipline and Office of Philanthropy.

Selection will be based on a review of academic transcripts of students meeting the eligibility criteria. The scholarship will be awarded to the student with the best performance in their prior Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Science (Advanced) program, and who meets the other criteria of this scholarship. In addition to the Cumulative Grade Point Average of 6.0, selection will consider:

- Achievement of a Distinction grade or higher in every subject of third-year Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Science (Advanced), with at least 50% of those results at High Distinction; and
- · An academic record with no recorded Fail results within the program preceding Honours study.

Participation in the Discipline of Chemistry for the Honours project will be verified by the Head of Chemistry Discipline.

#### **CONDITIONS OF AWARD**

If accepting this scholarship, you agree to the following conditions:

- You will continue to meet all relevant criteria in the <u>Eligibility section</u> above for the duration of the scholarship, unless <u>special consideration</u> (see below) is approved.
- If your circumstances change in a way that impacts your eligibility (e.g., change in study load or withdrawal from study), you will notify <a href="mailto:scholarships@newcastle.edu.au">scholarships@newcastle.edu.au</a>.
- The scholarship is tenable for 1 year and must be taken up in the year for which it was awarded, unless otherwise specified.
- Agree to send a thank-you message to the scholarship donor within two weeks of accepting your offer, following the instructions in your scholarship offer letter.
- You will be available to attend a presentation ceremony during Scholars Week (usually around August/September) where you may have opportunity to meet with the donors and/or their representatives.

#### **BENEFIT**

The scholarship provides a total benefit of \$1,000, paid as a lump sum in Semester 1.

Payments are typically received 2–3 weeks after the semester census date, or 2–3 weeks after you accept your offer if the census date has already passed.

The scholarship benefit and number of scholarships awarded may vary and will be determined by the funding available each year.

#### **PERIODS OF LEAVE**

This scholarship does not provide a period of leave or deferral.

#### **TERMINATION**

Unless terminated earlier, the scholarship will end when the term has expired, and the total benefit has been paid.

The Scholarships Office may terminate the scholarship before the term has expired if:

- The scholarship conditions are not met, including relevant eligibility criteria being maintained.
- The scholar completes study and/or ceases to be a student with the University of Newcastle; or
- The scholar has committed serious misconduct (as determined in accordance with the University's relevant policies and rules).

If the scholarship is terminated early, the Office of Alumni and Philanthropy will be advised and the donor notified.

Ongoing scholarships will not be paid out in full in instances where the recipient completes or discontinues study before the full scholarship term has expired.

If you have provided false or misleading information and as a result you were awarded or continued to receive the scholarship, the scholarship may be stopped, and you may be required to repay any scholarship benefits to which you are not entitled to within 14 days of being requested to do so by the University.

#### **SPECIAL CONSIDERATION**

As a scholarship recipient, if you are unable to meet the conditions of the scholarship due to illness, injury or other extenuating circumstances, you may apply for special consideration. Please apply by writing to the Scholarships Office via email to <a href="mailto:scholarships@newcastle.edu.au">scholarships@newcastle.edu.au</a>. Please provide appropriate documentary evidence to support your request.

A decision will be made by Scholarships staff in consultation with the Office of Alumni & Philanthropy.

#### PRIVACY AND COLLECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

You may be asked by Scholarships staff if you give permission for any short articles or newsletter items to be published. You may have the option to provide a photo, quote or short paragraph about yourself for this.

The University of Newcastle is committed to the protection of your personal information and privacy. The University will only disclose your personal information to the extent necessary for the purpose of the provision of this scholarship (including scholarship selection and assessing ongoing eligibility requirements).

Please review the University of Newcastle Privacy Management Plan, Web Privacy Statement.

The University reserves the right to make amendments to these terms and conditions without prior notice.

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