



SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS

NEVILLE SAWYER AM SCHOLARSHIP

BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF KEY CONDITIONS

This scholarship supports an engineering, science or IT graduate who is now seeking to obtain postgraduate qualifications in Business Administration.

If accepting an offer of this scholarship, you will:

- Maintain your full-time enrolment and academic progress within the program for which the scholarship was awarded for the duration of the scholarship.
- Notify scholarships@newcastle.edu.au of any changes to your circumstances - such as reduced study load, change in program, or withdrawal from study – which may impact your eligibility for this scholarship.
- Agree to write a message of thanks to the donor via email to Donor-Relations@newcastle.edu.au within 2 weeks of accepting your offer, and
- Be available for a presentation ceremony during Scholars Week events (usually around September).

This scholarship will provide financial support for up to 4 courses in the approved program, paid following semester or trimester census dates, with an approximate value of \$10,000.

ESTABLISHMENT

This scholarship was established by Mr Neville Sawyer to encourage graduates of the Engineering, Science, and Information Technology fields to undertake formal postgraduate studies in Business Administration, strengthening the business skills and experience required for future Industry leaders.

The successful applicant will receive payment toward up to 4 courses (40 units) in the Graduate Certificate in Business Administration or the Master of Business Administration programs.

Recipients of the scholarship are encouraged to become involved in other entrepreneurial groups, such as leading corporate accelerator [Sling Shot](#). These groups provide mentoring and financial and key workshops. It is envisaged that future employers of these students will encourage them by providing financial support so that they may continue learning and gaining relevant experience through future studies.

FUNDING ARRANGEMENT

This is a donor-funded scholarship from Mr Neville Sawyer AM

ELIGIBILITY

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

- Be enrolled in, or have accepted an offer of admission for, the Graduate Certificate of Business Administration or the Master of Business Administration with University of Newcastle.
- Have completed an Engineering, Science, or Information technology program with either University of Newcastle or TAFE Institution.
- Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident.
- Not hold another University of Newcastle donor-funded or sponsored scholarship concurrently.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

As part of your application, you will need to prepare:

- A personal statement (approx. 1 A4 page) outlining your academic achievements, career aspirations in the relevant area of study, and how this scholarship would assist you.
- A copy of your award and transcript for your eligible Engineering, Science, or Information Technology qualifications.
- **(Optional)** Up to 3 documents which demonstrate your academic achievement, such as awards and acknowledgements, participation in enrichment and travel programs or internships, academic competitions or challenges, your portfolio and/or cv.

Any applicant that does not submit the required documentation, including documentary evidence, will not be considered for selection.

As part of your application, you will need to agree to the terms and conditions regarding privacy and collection of personal information set out in the Declaration and Authority at the start of your application.

SELECTION

Selection is a competitive process and will be based on assessment of the scholarship application and any required supporting documents, with reference to the eligibility criteria. Academic merit may be taken into account.

Selection will be made by the College of Human and Social Futures Selection Committee which will consist of a minimum of three members chosen by the Pro Vice-Chancellor, College of Human and Social Futures.

The Selection Committee will communicate the details of successful recipients to the delegated Scholarships Officer, and all applicants will be notified of an outcome via email. This will occur within 6 weeks of the scholarship application closing date.

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

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

- You will continue to meet relevant eligibility criteria (see the section titled “Eligibility” above) for the duration of the scholarship, unless special consideration is approved (see below).
- If your circumstances change in a way that impacts your eligibility (eg, change in study load or withdrawal from study), you agree to notify scholarships@newcastle.edu.au.
- You agree to write a letter of thanks to the donor via email to Donor-Relations@newcastle.edu.au within 2 weeks of accepting your offer.
- You will be available to attend a presentation ceremony during Scholars Week (usually around September) where you may have opportunity to meet with donors and/or their representatives.
- You will not be required by the donor or the university to do so, however are encouraged to engage with the entrepreneurial groups and workshop opportunities that may be provided within this scholarship.

BENEFIT

This scholarship provides payment direct to the recipient, equivalent to 4 courses within the eligible program, with an indicative total value of around \$10,000. This scholarship must be taken up in the year for which it is awarded.

The scholarship provides a payment equivalent to 100% of program fees for the first four 10 unit courses (40 units) required for the Graduate Certificate Business Administration or the Masters of Business Administration. The scholarship is intended as a pathway for completion of the Masters of Business Administration.

The scholarship will be disbursed following the relevant census dates.

PERIODS OF LEAVE

You may apply in writing to scholarships@newcastle.edu.au for consideration to reserve your scholarship if you are unable to study due to illness, injury, or other extenuating circumstances. An application must be supported by documentary evidence.

Periods of approved leave for the scholarship:

- must not exceed two consecutive semesters of study; and
- will not be counted towards the term of the scholarship.

TERMINATION

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

Student Central Scholarships staff 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 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 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 Officer via email to scholarships@newcastle.edu.au. Please provide appropriate documentary evidence to support your request.

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

PRIVACY AND COLLECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

If applying for a donor-funded scholarship, the application or a summary of information provided with the application may be provided to an external donor and/or their representative. This is for the purpose of scholarship selection and otherwise to inform the donor that the terms of the donation are met.

You may be asked by the Scholarships Officer if you give permission for any short articles or newsletter items to be published. You may have the option to provide a photo, quote and 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).

When applying, please review the Declaration and Authority at the start of your application which includes additional information in relation to privacy and the collection of personal information and links to the University of Newcastle [Privacy Management Plan](#), [Web Privacy Statement](#), and [UAC Privacy Policy](#).

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

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