



# 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students Scholarship and (Memorial) Scholarship Conditions

## ESTABLISHMENT, BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF KEY CONDITIONS

These two scholarships work together to support an excellent student in the College of Engineering and Built Environment.

The 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students Scholarship supports a worthy student in the 2nd year of a degree with the College of Engineering and Built Environment. Should the student achieve the required results, the scholar will - at the beginning of 3rd year - be required to submit an essay on Singapore. If this is of an acceptable standard the scholar will automatically be given the 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students (Memorial) Scholarship to support 3rd year of their degree studies.

The 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students Scholarship was established in 2008 by a group of Colombo Plan Students from Singapore who studied at the University of Newcastle from 1968 in the College of Engineering, as it was then known. On the 40th anniversary of their first entering the University of Newcastle, and at a very different stage of their lives, the donors decided to establish a Scholarship to commemorate the fond and happy memories of their stay at Newcastle and to show their appreciation to the Australian and Newcastle community who helped them with their university education during their tender and formative years.

Three of the original donors on seeing the benefit of the scholarship decided in 2010 to establish the 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students (Memorial) Scholarship which would allow them to continue to support the student in third year engineering, subject to meeting eligibility requirements.

If accepting an offer of this scholarship, you will:

- Maintain full-time or part-time enrolment and academic progress with a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 5.0 for the duration of the scholarship.
- Notify [scholarships@newcastle.edu.au](mailto: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](mailto: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).

## FUNDING ARRANGEMENT

This is a donor-funded scholarship.

1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students Scholarship donors

- CHIA Whye Liang Anthony
- FOO Say Wei
- HO Gien Tou
- HO Jin Yong
- LIM Chong Hin
- Dharma Rajan MANI
- POON Boon Ping Bernard
- NG Chong Thong and
- TAY Buan Huat Peter

1968 Singapore Colombo Plan

Students (Memorial) Scholarship donors

- TAY Buan Huat Peter – in Memory of this Father, TAY Chin Meng John
- LIM Chong Hin – in Memory of his Mother, KOH Choo Tee
- NG Chong Thong – in Memory of this Brother, NG Chong Wai Paul.

## ELIGIBILITY

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

- Be enrolled in 2nd year of an undergraduate degree at the University of Newcastle. Should the successful applicant reach the required minimum results, he/she will automatically be offered the 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students (Memorial) scholarship in the 3rd year.
- Be enrolled in any undergraduate program with the College of Engineering and Built Environment.
- Be enrolled full-time.
- Not be the recipient of another UON Donor funded or sponsored scholarship concurrently.
- Demonstrate academic achievement Grade Point Average (GPA) of 5.0 or WAM 75.
- Demonstrate that the ability to study is affected, or will be affected, by an area of educational disadvantage such as financial hardship.
- Not have previously completed a degree.
- Be an Australian Citizen or Permanent Resident.

## 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.

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

Other examples of supporting documents may include a CV, evidence of sporting achievements, evidence of community involvement, an essay/proposal, a driver's license, a health care card, etc.

**NOTE:** Should the successful recipient of the 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students Scholarship achieve the required results to receive the 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students (Memorial) Scholarship in the following third year of studies, **the 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students Scholar will be required to submit an essay of approximately 400 words on Singapore.** The essay may cover one or more aspects of Singapore including its people, economy, geography, history, and culture. The essay content shall preferably relate to the student's field of study, being engineering, building or other technical developments in Singapore. The student should demonstrate his or her analytical skill and critical thinking. It must be of an acceptable standard.

## SELECTION

Selection is a competitive process and will be based on an assessment of the scholarship application and any required supporting documents. Applications will be ranked against the eligibility criteria and documentation provided and sent to the nominated University staff member (and any other person(s) nominated) for selection and sign-off.

Where there are no eligible applicants after a maximum of two rounds per year then the scholarship will not be offered for that year.

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:

- The scholarships combined are tenable for up to 2 years.
  - The 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students Scholarships is tenable for one (1) year, and
  - The 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students (Memorial) Scholarship is tenable for an additional one (1) year.
- The scholarship must be taken up in the year for which it was awarded unless otherwise specified.
- The scholar shall continue to meet all eligibility criteria specified in these conditions and any other specified requirements for the duration of the scholarship unless special consideration is approved (see special consideration section below).
- This scholarship is subject to semester review. Continuation of the scholarship and payment of the scholarship benefit is subject to the scholar maintaining satisfactory academic progress, that is, a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 5.0 or higher and continuing to meet the eligibility criteria of the scholarship. Documentary evidence may be requested to confirm ongoing eligibility.
- The scholar shall not be required by the donor or the University to undertake employment as a condition of the award of the scholarship.
- The scholar will make themselves available for an official presentation ceremony and meeting with the scholarship donor in Scholars Week.

## BENEFIT

The scholarships combined benefit is \$10,000. This will be paid as \$2,500 following the census date of Semester one and Semester two.

The scholarships combined are tenable for 2 years, with the 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students Scholarship in Second Year and the follow-on 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students (Memorial) Scholarship in Third Year.

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

## PERIODS OF LEAVE

You may apply in writing to [scholarships@newcastle.edu.au](mailto: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 their 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/sponsor] 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 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 at [scholarships@newcastle.edu.au](mailto: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 the 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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