



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

1. ESTABLISHMENT

These two scholarships work together to support an excellent student in the Faculty 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 Faculty 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 Faculty 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.

2. DEFINITIONS

"Donor" or "Sponsor" means

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.

"Faculty" means the Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment;

"Program" means the program the student is enrolled in;

"Scholar" means a recipient of a scholarship;

"Scholarship" means 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students Scholarship and 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students (Memorial) Scholarship

"UON" means the University of Newcastle.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 To be eligible to apply for this scholarship an applicant must be enrolled at the University of Newcastle and meet the following criteria:
- 3.1.1 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.
 - 3.1.2 Be enrolled in any undergraduate program with the Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment.
 - 3.1.3 Be enrolled full-time.
 - 3.1.4 Demonstrate academic achievement Grade Point Average (GPA) of 5.0 or WAM 75.
 - 3.1.5 Demonstrate that the ability to study is affected, or will be affected, by an area of educational disadvantage such as financial hardship.
 - 3.1.6 Not have previously completed a degree.
 - 3.1.7 Not be the recipient of another UON Donor funded or sponsored scholarship concurrently.
 - 3.1.8 Be an Australian Citizen or Permanent Resident.

4. REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

- 4.1 The following documentation must be submitted with the scholarship application:
- 4.1.1 A written statement demonstrating/outlining your experience of financial hardship, how this scholarship would assist you and your career aspirations. Any documentary evidence supporting this should be included e.g. Centrelink income statement, health care card, registration with disability service, evidence of address in a remote area etc.
- [Each document requested must evidence at least one of the eligibility criteria under clause 3.0.]
A written statement/essay is to be no more than 2 x A4 pages (unless stated otherwise) excluding documentary evidence.
- 4.2 Any applicant that does not submit the required documentation, including documentary evidence, will not be considered for selection.
- 4.3 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.

5. SELECTION

- 5.1 Selection is a competitive process and will be based on assessment of the scholarship application and any required supporting documents. Applications will be ranked against the criteria outlined in clauses 3.0 and 4.0 and a recommendation schedule sent to the nominated University staff member from clause 5.2 (and any other person(s) nominated) for selection and sign off.
- 5.2 Selection will be made by the Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment Selection Committee which will consist of a minimum of three members chosen by the Pro Vice-Chancellor, Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment
- 5.3 Where there are no eligible applicants after a maximum of two rounds per year then the scholarship will not be offered for that year.

6. CONDITION OF AWARD

- 6.1 The scholarships combined are tenable for 2 years. The 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students Scholarships is tenable for one (1) year. The 1968 Singapore Colombo Plan Students (Memorial) Scholarship is tenable for an additional one (1) year provided the required grade achievements have been met. The scholarship must be taken up in the year for which it was awarded, unless otherwise specified.
- 6.2 The scholar shall continue to meet all eligibility criteria specified in clause 3.0 of these conditions and any other specified requirements for the duration of the scholarship unless special consideration is approved under 10.0.
- 6.3 This scholarship is subject to semester review. Continuation of the scholarship and payment of the scholarship benefit are subject to the scholar maintaining satisfactory academic progress, that is, a Grade Point Average GPA of 5.0/WAM 75 or higher, and continuing to meet the eligibility criteria of the scholarship. Documentary evidence may be requested to confirm ongoing eligibility.
- 6.4 The scholar shall not be required by the donor or the University to undertake employment as a condition of award of the scholarship.
- 6.5 The scholar will make themselves available for an official presentation ceremony and meeting with the scholarship donor in Scholars week.

7. BENEFIT

- 7.1 Scholarships Combined Benefit: \$8,000. The scholarships will provide \$4,000 annually with \$2,000 paid as a lump sum after each Semester census date. 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 Engineering.
- 7.2 The scholarship benefit and number of scholarships awarded may vary and will be determined by the funding available each year.

8. PERIODS OF LEAVE

- 8.1 A scholar may apply in writing to reserve or defer of the scholarship benefit because of illness, injury or other extenuating circumstances. An application must be supported by appropriate documentary evidence. Periods of approved leave or deferral must not exceed two consecutive semesters of study and shall not reduce the tenure of the scholarship. All applications for periods of leave must be submitted to the Scholarships Office within the affected semester of study.

9. TERMINATION

- 9.1 A scholarship shall terminate before its due date of conclusion when:
- 9.1.1 the scholar ceases to meet the eligibility criteria in clause 3.0,
 - 9.1.2 the maximum duration of the scholarship has been reached,
 - 9.1.3 the scholar completes study and/or ceases to be a student of the University,
 - 9.1.4 the University determines that the scholar has committed serious misconduct, or
 - 9.1.5 the scholar failed to maintain satisfactory academic progress.

When termination is likely due to clause 9.1.5, the UON Office of Alumni and Philanthropy will be advised prior to termination occurring and will undertake the most appropriate action in consultation with the Donor/Sponsor and Student Central.

10. SPECIAL CONSIDERATION

- 10.1 Where a scholar cannot meet the conditions of the scholarship due to illness, injury or other extenuating circumstances, they may apply in writing to the scholarships office. Applications must be supported by appropriate documentary evidence and a decision will be made in consultation with the Office of Alumni & Philanthropy.

11. PRIVACY

- 11.1 By applying for this scholarship and accepting these conditions, the student understands that this is a donor-funded scholarship and as such an external donor (or representative) may view their application, supporting documents evidencing their eligibility, and details of their ongoing academic progression.

Establishment date:

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