



HunterWiSE Scholarship for Women in STEM

Terms and Conditions

BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF KEY CONDITIONS

HunterWiSE will provide a \$5,000 scholarship to support a student identifying as a woman in the College of Engineering Science and Environment (CESE).

- Maintain your full-time enrolment and academic progress with the University of Newcastle 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/s via email to Donor-Relations@newcastle.edu.au within 2 weeks of accepting your offer.

The total value of this scholarship is \$5000 for a term of one year.

ESTABLISHMENT

HunterWiSE would like to support women participating in STEM study and careers. It is intended, but not required, that scholars engage in HunterWiSE initiatives. Scholars will be invited to apply for HunterWiSE mentor roles and are encouraged to participate in HunterWiSE Network events.

FUNDING ARRANGEMENT

This is a donor-funded scholarship from HunterWiSE.

ELIGIBILITY

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

- Be enrolled in your first year of any undergraduate program with the College of Engineering, Science and Environment.
- Be intending to study on a full-time basis (minimum 60 units per year).
- Identify as a woman.
- Be an Australian citizen or an Australian permanent resident (including holders of a permanent humanitarian visa and New Zealand citizens with permanent residency).
- Not hold another University of Newcastle donor-funded or sponsored scholarship concurrently.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

- None.

No application is required for this scholarship.

SELECTION

The scholarship will be awarded automatically following the relevant semester main Admissions intakes.

Available scholarships will be awarded to the highest ranked eligible student/s, with consideration given to the following, in order:

- Programs with the lowest female participation in that year;
- Completion of Australian Year 12 in the year prior to study;
- Academic merit, namely Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR);
- Relocation from a rural or remote area to study.

Selection will be made by Scholarships staff within the Academic Division, with recipients communicated to the Office of Alumni and Philanthropy prior to award for records and communication to the donor representative.

Scholarships staff will communicate the details of successful recipients.

The university reserves the right not to award the scholarship.

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

If you accept 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 undertake employment as a condition of award of this scholarship but are encouraged to engage with HunterWiSE.

BENEFIT

The scholarship provides a total benefit of \$5000, 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 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 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.

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 scholarships@newcastle.edu.au. 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](#), and [Web Privacy Statement](#).

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

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