SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS



JAYCE AND SEAMUS FAGAN ENABLING PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP

BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF KEY CONDITIONS

This scholarship supports a student enrolled in a University of Newcastle Enabling program.

If accepting an offer of this scholarship, you will:

- Maintain your enrolment and satisfactory academic progress with no failed units within your enabling program 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 <u>Donor-Relations@newcastle.edu.au</u> within 2 weeks of accepting your offer, and
- Be available for a presentation ceremony during Scholars Week events (usually around September).

This scholarship is for one year and provides a payment of \$2500 each semester, provided eligibility is maintained.

ESTABLISHMENT

Seamus Fagan was the Director of the English Language and Foundation Studies Centre at the University of Newcastle for 16 years, until his retirement in 2018. In this role, Seamus was responsible for overseeing and managing a large portfolio of English Language Intensive Courses for Overseas Students and enabling education programs. Jayce and Seamus Fagan are committed to supporting students who wish to transform their lives by engaging in tertiary education.

This scholarship has been established to support a student in an enabling program with the hope that this financial support will ensure they can concentrate on their studies and achieve the results to gain entry into an undergraduate degree.

FUNDING ARRANGEMENT

This scholarship is donor-funded from Jayce and Seamus Fagan.

ELIGIBILITY

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

- Be enrolled in the University of Newcastle's Yapug, Newstep, or Open Foundation program;
- Demonstrate the impact of educational disadvantages such as carer and sole parent responsibilities, financial hardship, long-term medical condition, a disability, the ongoing effects of abuse, regional/remote disadvantage, and English language difficulty.
- Equity scholarships will also consider applicant attributes such as being an Indigenous Australian, having a Refugee background, or placement with an Out-of-Home Care provider.
- Not be the recipient of another UON 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.
- You may be required to provide documents to support your educational disadvantage claims. These will
 be identified when you apply based on your individual application responses, but you can get an idea of
 what kinds of documents are required here.

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.

Selection will be made by the Multi-Faculty Selection Panel which will consist of a minimum of three members chosen by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic).

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).
- Maintain your enrolment and satisfactory academic progress with no failed units for the duration of the scholarship.
- If your circumstances change in a way that impacts your eligibility (e.g. 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 <u>Donor-Relations@newcastle.edu.au</u> 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.

BENEFIT

This scholarship is for a term of one year and must be taken up in the year for which it is awarded.

The scholarship provides a total benefit of \$5000, paid as \$2500 each semester after the relevant census dates (usually in April and September).

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.

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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