



William Bowmore Undergraduate Scholarship in Cello or Piano

Terms and Conditions

BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF KEY CONDITIONS

The intention of this scholarship is to provide financial assistance to a student within the University of Newcastle's undergraduate music program who has a focus on cello or piano.

If accepting an offer of this scholarship, you will:

- Maintain enrolment in your undergraduate music program at the University of Newcastle and maintain academic progress with a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 4.0 for the duration of the scholarship.
- Have a focus on cello or piano.
- 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 send a thank-you message to the scholarship donor within two weeks of accepting your offer, following the instructions in your scholarship offer letter, and
- Be available for a presentation ceremony during Scholars Week events (usually around September).

The total value of this scholarship is \$5000 for a term of 1 year.

ESTABLISHMENT

Dr. William Bowmore established this scholarship to share his great love of music and the arts in the Hunter Valley Region. In 2002 Dr. Bowmore was awarded an Honorary Doctorate from the University of Newcastle (Australia) and an Order of Australia for service to the arts as a collector, donor, benefactor and patron of galleries in Australia, and to young musicians as a teacher and sponsor of concerts and scholarships. He had been an active supporter of the Newcastle Conservatorium since 1952.

Dr. Bowmore was very keen to support the development of cello players within the University of Newcastle music programs, so preference for award of this scholarship may be given to a student who plays this instrument.

FUNDING ARRANGEMENT

This is a donor-funded scholarship from Dr. William Bowmore.

ELIGIBILITY

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

- Be enrolled in any year of an undergraduate music program at the University of Newcastle with a focus on cello or piano;
- Demonstrate academic progress either by the Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) or equivalent required for entry for commencing students, or a GPA of 4.0 for continuing students;
- Be an Australian citizen, Australian Permanent Resident or New Zealand Citizen;
- 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 (no more than 1 A4 page) outlining your academic achievements, career aspirations in the relevant area of study, and how this scholarship would assist you. This statement will cover all scholarships you are applying for.
- You will also have the option to provide up to 3 documents which support the claims made in your personal statement, such as evidence of your academic achievements and milestones.

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 may also include consideration of performance and interview at audition for admission. The selection panel may give preference to a student who plays cello.

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

The Selection Panel will communicate the details of successful recipients to Scholarships staff, and all applicants will be notified of an outcome via email 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).
- 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 GPA of 4.0 or higher. Documentary evidence may be requested to confirm ongoing eligibility.
- 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.
- This scholarship **may** be reserved or deferred for an approved period as outlined in section titled “Periods of Leave” below. Withdrawal from studies after payment of the scholarship in any semester may affect the scholar’s eligibility for scholarship payment in the following semester.

- The scholar shall not be required by the donor or the University to undertake employment as a condition of award of the scholarship.
- Agree to send a thank-you message to the scholarship donor within two weeks of accepting your offer, following the instructions in your scholarship offer letter.
- You will be available to attend a presentation ceremony during Scholars Week (usually around August/September) where you may have the opportunity to meet with donors and/or their representatives.

BENEFIT

This scholarship provides a total benefit of \$5000 for a term of 1 year, provided ongoing eligibility for the term of the scholarship is met. The scholarship will be paid as \$2500 each semester. Payment will generally be made 2-3 weeks following the relevant census dates.

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 for consideration to reserve your scholarship if you are unable to study due to illness, injury, or other extenuating circumstances. Your 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 or 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 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

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 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).

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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