



THE UNIVERSITY OF
NEWCASTLE
AUSTRALIA

SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS

Association of Consulting Surveyors Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Scholarship

SUMMARY OF KEY CONDITIONS

If accepting an offer of this scholarship, you will:

- Maintain your 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 via email to 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).
- This scholarship is up to a maximum term of 3 years providing ongoing eligibility.

ESTABLISHMENT

The Association of Consulting Surveyors NSW is the peak body representing Surveying firms in NSW. The Association was established in 1969 to serve the interests of Consulting Surveyors and the community of NSW. Our vision is to see thriving consulting surveyor businesses in every region and city across New South Wales where surveyors are recognised for underpinning the value of the economy. ACS is the leading voice of the surveying profession through advocacy and research, providing support to our member firms to build strong and thriving businesses through education.

The Association intends for these scholarships to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in achieving a career in surveying and to help them maintain a connection to their communities. Successful recipients will be offered opportunities to engage with association members, attend functions, gain work experience and receive mentorship from experienced Registered Surveyors.

In addition to the scholarship, non-compulsory work experience will be made available for students during holiday periods in various locations and practices to provide a greater depth of knowledge and understanding of the broader surveying industry.

FUNDING ARRANGEMENT

This is a donor-funded scholarship from the Association of Consulting Surveyors NSW.

ELIGIBILITY

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

- Be enrolled in any year of an undergraduate Surveying degree program with the University of Newcastle;
- Must be a resident of NSW;
- Be enrolled full time (min 30 units per semester or equivalent);
- Establish your Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander identity and heritage with the university as outlined [here](#);
- Not hold another University of Newcastle donor-funded or sponsored scholarship concurrently.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

No documentation is required for this scholarship.

SELECTION

No application is required for this scholarship.

The scholarship will be automatically awarded at the start of Semester 1 based on admissions and student progress reporting within Admissions and Scholarships, Student and Academic Services.

Selection of the scholarship will consider all eligible students who have established their Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander identity and heritage with the University of Newcastle in accordance with the current University [Policy](#) and [Procedure](#).

Selection will also consider, in order:

- Academic merit (Cumulative GPA or ATAR or equivalent admission rank),
- Academic study year with preference to students commencing their degree who may benefit from the full duration of the scholarship, and
- Spread of available awards across different academic study years.

Recommendations will be reviewed by relevant staff members within the Office of Alumni and Philanthropy prior to awards being made by the Scholarships Officer.

Successful scholars will be notified via email from Admissions and Scholarships.

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).
- 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 may also provide contact details and permission for them to contact you regarding the industry opportunities associated with this scholarship.
- You agree to be available if there is an opportunity to meet with the donor/s or donor representatives of this scholarship.

BENEFIT

The scholarship provides a total benefit of \$15,000 to be paid as lump sums of \$5,000 annually over the full 3-year tenure provided ongoing eligibility for the term of the scholarship.

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/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 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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