



Glenn and Ken Moss PhD Scholarships in Engineering Research

SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS

SCHOLARSHIP INTENT

Dr Ken Moss, a long-term supporter of the University of Newcastle graduated from the University with a Bachelor of Engineering degree in Mechanical Engineering, with honours in 1968. He gained his doctorate in 1974 in the same discipline.

In 2012, Dr Ken Moss served as Chancellor of the University of Newcastle. During his time at university, Dr Moss served as a member and President of the Board of the University Union and as a member of the Students' Representative Council. He was elected an honorary life member of the Union, was a director of various subsidiary boards, a foundation board member of Hunter Medical Research Institute, a board member of Hunter Area Health Service and a non-executive director of several companies including NAB.

After Dr Moss witnessed a drop in the number of students undertaking research higher degrees in Mechanical Engineering, he and his wife Glenn decided to offer top-up scholarships at the discretion of the College to bolster post graduate engineering, so the University could remain competitive. Their intent continues to enable the College to retain its top students in the Hunter and address the leaching of those students caused by high demand for our graduates from industry and financially attractive scholarships being offered by other Universities.

If a candidate is not available in Mechanical Engineering or Mechatronics, then it may be offered to another Engineering student. Glenn and Ken have intended to maintain flexible and broad criteria, allowing for the discretion of the College to select candidates.

Following his untimely passing in 2012, Dr Ken Moss's wife, Glenn Moss continues to support the scholarships.

ESTABLISHMENT AND FUNDING ARRANGEMENT

This donor funded supplementation scholarship has been established and funded for University of Newcastle students studying PhD (Mechanical Engineering) or PhD (Mechatronics) that are Australian Citizens or Australian Permanent Residents residing in Australia.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to apply for this scholarship, you must be enrolled at the University of Newcastle and meet the following criteria:

- Be enrolled in a PhD (Mechanical Engineering) or PhD (Mechatronics)
- An Australian Citizen or Australian Permanent Resident residing in Australia.
- Have successfully completed the Bachelor of Mechatronics Engineering (Honours) or Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering (Honours) with a grade of First Class Honours. Note that in determining an equivalent level of academic attainment, consideration may be given to previous study, relevant work experience, research publications and other research experience at the University of Newcastle.
- Must be enrolled full-time and on campus and maintain this enrolment for the duration of the PhD candidature

- Must currently be receiving a University of Newcastle stipend scholarship of either a Research Training Program (RTP), a University of Newcastle Research Scholarship Central (UNRSC), a University of Newcastle Research Scholarship External (UNRSE), or Business & Industry Scholarship.
- Are not in receipt of a supplementation scholarship of above \$15,640.50 as a candidate cannot receive benefits greater than 75% of the stipend.
- Must submit an expression of interest and any required documentation no later than the application closing date;
- Not be in recipient of another University of Newcastle Donor funded scholarship concurrently.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

The following documentation must be submitted to form the scholarship application:

- An expression of interest including the following information:
 - Details of your current PhD enrolment at the University of Newcastle including; start date, program, on/off campus, part-time/full-time enrolment, research topic, current supervisors;
 - An overview of your proposed research and the long term benefits from your research work.
 - List of completed tertiary qualifications and copies of your tertiary transcripts if your qualifications are not from the University of Newcastle.
- A Curriculum Vitae

Any applicant that does not submit the required documentation above by the application closing date will not be considered for selection

SELECTION

Selection is a competitive process and will be based on assessment of the expression of interest and any required supporting documents. All eligible applications will be considered by the Selection Committee for selection and sign off. The selection of the scholar will be made by a selection committee comprising of three representatives of the School of Engineering as nominated by the Head of School.

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

If accepting this scholarship, you agree to the following conditions:

- Scholars are required to provide additional reports to Graduate Research or the School of Engineering as requested.
- Attend events to meet with and discuss outcomes of your research with the donor
- The scholar must continue to meet the eligibility criteria and any other specified requirements for the duration of the scholarship.
- The scholarship benefits are subject to the scholar maintaining satisfactory academic progress.
- The scholar approves the disclosure of their name and details regarding their research topic, candidature progress and scholarships to the donor.

BENEFIT

- The scholarship provides the following benefits:
 - A living allowance benefit of \$6,000 per annum for up to a maximum of 3.5 years (full-time) for a PhD program.

And either:

1. If a successful scholar has not completed six months of full time PhD candidature they will also receive a research expenses and travel scholarship comprising of:

- A once off \$4,000 for research expenses (e.g. computers, equipment, consumables and thesis preparation) and travel to use during their candidature and;
- A once off \$5,000 to attend and participate at an international conference during their candidature.

Or

2. If a successful scholar has been enrolled full time in their PhD degree for more than six months they will also receive a research expenses and travel scholarship. The total once off amount for this scholarship will be determined accordingly, to be expended against similar items as above:
 - Six months completed \$8,000
 - One year completed \$6,500
 - Two years completed \$4,000
 - More than 2.5 years \$2,500
- The purchases and expenditure for the research and travel scholarships will be managed by the School
 - The scholarship will commence from the date of award and will expire on the same day as the candidate's 3.5 year stipend expiry.
 - The scholarship benefit and number of scholarships awarded may vary and will be determined by the funding available each year.

TERMINATION

A scholarship shall be retracted when:

- The scholar ceases to meet the eligibility criteria
- The University determines that the scholar has committed serious misconduct; or
- The scholar failed to maintain satisfactory academic progress.

When termination is likely due to the scholar failing to maintain satisfactory academic progress the Office of Alumni & Philanthropy will be advised prior to termination occurring and will undertake the most appropriate action in consultation with the Donor/Sponsor and Graduate Research.

CONFIDENTIALITY

The deliberations and decisions of Selection Committee and/or delegated officers relating to allocation, selection and award of scholarships are confidential.

APPEALS

An applicant for a scholarship may appeal in writing to the Dean of Graduate Research on the grounds of procedural deficiency only. Written appeals must be received within 20 working days of notification of the application outcome.

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 Graduate Research graduate-research@newcastle.edu.au. Please provide appropriate documentary evidence to support your request.

A decision will be made in consultation with the Office of Alumni & Philanthropy.

VARIATIONS

The Dean of Graduate Research in consultation with the Executive Director of Advancement, Office of Alumni and Philanthropy may vary any of the clauses of these conditions where it is satisfied that exceptional circumstances warrant such variation. In circumstances where a variation has occurred and applications have been received, then the scholarship must be re-advertised with the varied clause(s) included.

PRIVACY

If accepting a donor-funded scholarship, a summary of information provided with the application may be provided to an external donor and/or their representative. This is to inform the donor that the terms of the donation are met.

You may be asked by Graduate Research 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.

When applying, please review the Declaration and Authority at the start of your application which includes links to the University of Newcastle [Privacy Management Plan](#), and [Web Privacy Statement](#).

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