

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

UWS Emerging Careers Scholarship (Group A) 2009

1. NAME OF SCHOLARSHIP

- 1.1 The Scholarship governed by these terms and conditions will be known as the "University of Western Sydney Emerging Careers Scholarship" (referred to in these terms as the "Scholarship"). For the purposes of these terms and conditions the University of Western Sydney may also be referred to as the "University" or "UWS".

2. VALUE OF SCHOLARSHIP

- 2.1 A maximum of \$5,000 (full time) per year or \$2,500 (part time) per year.

3. DURATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

- 3.1 The duration of the Scholarship will be as set out in the written Scholarship offer to the recipient and may be up to a maximum of four continuous years (i.e. 8 full-time equivalent per session payments) from the effective date of the commencement of the Scholarship, which is defined as the commencement date of the session following the date of the offer or such other date as set out in the University's Scholarship offer.
- 3.2 Honours year - the Scholarship will be continued providing the maximum time of the Scholarship does not exceed four continuous years.

4. PAYMENT DETAILS & CONDITIONS

- 4.1 The recipient must notify the University in writing that he/she will accept the Scholarship offer by 23 February 2009. Failure to notify the University within the required time will lead to the Scholarship offer being withdrawn and made available to another person. The recipient agrees to observe the terms and conditions of the Scholarship as set out in this document. The recipient must be enrolled in an eligible course at the University as listed in these terms and conditions or as otherwise published from time to time by the University.
- 4.2 The recipient will be paid 50% of the annual Scholarship value per session by electronic transfer. Part time enrolment pro rata payment is on the basis that study is no less than 20 credit points per teaching session.
- 4.3 The recipient will be paid in two equal instalments during the Autumn and Spring teaching sessions.
- 4.4 Withdrawal from study renders the recipient liable to repay any Scholarship funds received for the relevant session.
- 4.5 It is the recipient's responsibility to inform the University Scholarships Unit if there is a change in address or banking details.
- 4.6 For Scholarship taxation implications, recipients are advised to seek their own financial and tax advice on the impact of the receipt of the Scholarship funds and review the Australian Taxation Office website at <http://www.ato.gov.au>

Note: Where a recipient is in receipt of Centrelink benefits, the recipient must inform Centrelink to determine the impact on any benefits received by the recipient.

5. SCHOLARSHIP CONTINUING CONDITIONS

- 5.1 The recipient must maintain satisfactory academic progress (i.e. pass a minimum of 50% of unit attempts in Autumn or Spring teaching session and maintain an accumulated credit average (GPA \geq 5.00) for the duration of the Scholarship.
- 5.2 The recipient's mode of study may be full-time or part-time.
- 5.3 The recipient must notify the University Scholarships Unit of changes to study pattern, i.e. study load, withdrawal, resignation or leave of absence.

6. SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- 6.1 The recipient may be invited to:
- participate in University events for students and prospective students (eg Orientation, Open Day),
 - assist in providing information to prospective students about UWS courses and the Scholarship programs by visiting targeted schools,
 - provide a personal profile and photograph for use in UWS promotional material,
 - participate in peer mentoring/tutoring,
 - undertake other engagements within and outside the university as required.

7. TERMINATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

- 7.1 The Scholarship will be for the term as set out in the offer provided to the recipient, subject to the following conditions of this clause 7.
- 7.2 On completion of the recipient's enrolled course prior to the conclusion the Scholarship.
- 7.3 The Scholarship will be terminated if the recipient:
- ceases to meet the specific eligibility and/or continuing criteria of the Scholarship,
 - does not resume study at the conclusion of leave of absence,
 - ceases to be enrolled,
 - is suspended or excluded from UWS for misconduct,
 - fails to maintain satisfactory academic progress by meeting the Scholarship Continuing Conditions detailed in 5.1, unless extenuating circumstances can be demonstrated,
 - graduates from the course at an alternate exit point.
- 7.4 The recipient must not hold more than two scholarships concurrently at any time. (Note: each scholarship must be from a different group). If the recipient accepts more than the permitted maximum of two Scholarships concurrently, the recipient must relinquish one Scholarship or refund the value of the amount of the Scholarship paid by the University (as reasonably determined by the University).
- 7.5 On the recipient's death, resignation or withdrawal from UWS.

8. APPEAL

- 8.1 The recipient may appeal termination of the Scholarship on the grounds of procedural fairness or due to exceptional circumstances by applying to the Chair, Academic Senate.
- 8.2 An Appeals committee will consider the appeal and make a determination on whether the appeal is upheld and the Scholarship continued or the appeal is dismissed and the Scholarship is terminated.

9. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 9.1 Where there is a difference in interpretation on the operation of this Agreement, the recipient may submit a case in writing to the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Academic).
- 9.2 Should the recipient not meet these conditions, UWS has the right to withdraw payments and reallocate the Scholarship to another eligible applicant.