

PUBLIC FINANCE AND PUBLIC POLICY SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1/ INTRODUCTION

The Tax and Transfer Policy Institute in the Crawford School of Public Policy at the Australian National University may offer an award known as the Public Finance and Public Policy Scholarship (the award). The objective of the award is to provide support to high calibre honours students with research interests in the legal and economic aspects of taxation and public economics and its application to public policy.

2/ BENEFITS

The value of the award will be stated in your letter of offer. The award is paid in fortnightly instalments in arrears, unless otherwise stated in the letter of offer.

The recipient is responsible for making payment of all tuition fees by the prescribed date as set out by the University each session. Recipients of this award are responsible for the costs of books, study materials, accommodation and all other costs of study.

The duration of the award will be for one year in the first instance or as is stated in the letter of offer.

3/ ELIGIBILITY

The award is available each year to a prospective or continuing ANU student who:

- is a domestic or international student;
- is enrolled/enrolling in an honours program at the Australian National University fulltime;
- has demonstrated research interest in economics, law or accounting with application to taxation, public finance or public economics;
- has a demonstrated track record of academic merit; and
- able to commit 10 hours per week to research and outreach activities associated with the Tax and transfer Policy Institute.

4/ APPLICATION

Applications are called for with a closing date as set by the Tax and Transfer Policy Institute and advertised on the ANU website. The application is submitted via email directly to the Tax and Transfer Policy Institute prior to the closing date.

5/ SELECTION

Selection is made based on academic merit and the demonstrated relevance of the applicant's research interests to the fields of law, economics and accounting and their application to tax and public economics. Other factors such as extra-curricular activity may also be considered.

The award is offered to a student by a selection committee chaired by the Director, Tax and Transfer Policy Institute which may also include Director Crawford School of Public Policy and an academic in a relevant field in the Crawford School of Public Policy. The selection committee reserves the right to make no award if it considers there is no applicant of sufficient merit. The selection committee may also vary the number of awards and/or offer the award at other times in exceptional circumstances or based on the standard of applications or students (where funding allows).

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6/ CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS

A recipient of the Public Finance and Public Policy Scholarship who is enrolled in undergraduate or postgraduate coursework is permitted to concurrently hold other scholarships, awards, grants and bursaries subject to the terms of the corresponding section in the conditions of award of the other scholarship/bursary/grant/award that they are holding.

7/ DEFERMENT

The recipient must take up their award in the semester in which it is offered. Any requests for deferrals of the award must be approved by the Director, Tax and Transfer Policy Institute.

8/ ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

A recipient of this award will be enrolled in a full-time load.

9/ CESSATION OF AWARD

The award ceases or should be surrendered:

- a) at the conclusion of the period of the award as stated in the letter of offer; or
- b) on the date on which the recipient withdraws or ceases to attend the University other than for approved absences;
- c) if a student fails to meet the minimum academic performance requirements;
- d) if a recipient breaches academic or behavioural standards set by the University under the Academic Misconduct & Discipline Rules;
- e) if a recipient changes their program or course without permission;

whichever is earliest.

10/ REPAYMENT OF FUNDS

Subject to the information available at the time, Director, Tax and Transfer Policy Institute may request that the payment for the semester in which the breach of conditions or withdrawal occurs be refunded in part or in full.

In the situation where a recipient is overpaid an amount in excess of a full fortnightly disbursement, the University may recover the overpayment by withholding future stipend payments at the same rate that the stipend was overpaid.

11/ PROVIDING FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION

The awarding of a scholarship is based on the information provided to the University. An award may be withdrawn at any stage if incorrect, false or misleading information is provided or relevant information is withheld. This includes circumstances where the false information is unrelated to the assessment in awarding the scholarship/grant.

12/ VARIATION TO CONDITIONS OF AWARD

In exceptional circumstances, these conditions of award may be varied by the Director,

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Tax and Transfer Policy Institute in consultation with the Selection Committee.

13/ TAXATION & CENTRELINK

Recipients are responsible for seeking taxation and Centrelink advice regarding their own individual circumstances. Scholarships/grants may be regarded as taxable income if a recipient is enrolled on a part-time basis.

For information on how your award may affect your Centrelink benefits, see this website <http://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/enablers/income/>

14/ ACCOMMODATION

It is the recipient's responsibility to obtain residential accommodation. Information on student accommodation and application forms are available from the University Accommodation Services. Information may be found on the Web at: <http://www.anu.edu.au/study/accommodation>

15/ PUBLICITY

The recipient may be requested to participate in publicity for the award from time to time. This may include publicity in the state or territory of residence or of schooling. Recipients may be contacted for an interview and photograph. The University may also publicise the award by publishing the names of the recipients. Arrangements for such publicity will be made through the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific or the Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Office of the University.

16/ CONTACT WITH THE COLLEGE

All enquiries regarding the award and changes, issues, or further information after acceptance should be made to:

Director
Tax and Transfer Policy Institute,
Crawford School of Public Policy
ANU, College of Asia and the Pacific
Email: robert.breunig@anu.edu.au

17/ DISCLAIMER

The recipient of this award is subject to *The Australian National University Act 1991* as amended, and to the Statutes, Rules, Regulations and Resolutions of the University. The award of a scholarship/grant does not carry any commitment by the University for future employment.

These conditions of award should be read in conjunction with the University's Coursework Scholarships Policy & Procedures available from the ANU website.

18/ RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES & RULES

ANU Coursework Scholarship Policy –
https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_007803

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ANU Coursework Scholarship Procedure –
https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppi/document/ANUP_009607

ANU Research Awards Rule –
<https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2017L01614>

ANU Overpayments Procedure –
https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppi/document/ANUP_000599

ANU Academic Misconduct Rule –
<https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2015L02025>

ANU Discipline Rule –
<https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2018L00319>

Research Scholarship Information (including reimbursement and claim forms)
<https://www.anu.edu.au/students/program-administration/fees-payments/research-scholarship-information>