

# VICE-CHANCELLOR'S INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP (VCIS) - UNDERGRADUATE INDIAN ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

# **Appendix A: Conditions Of Scholarship**

## **ELIGIBILITY**

- Be an Indian citizen.
- Have a full offer of admission at North Ryde Campus or City Campus.
- You must have met the eligibility criteria as stipulated by the Vice-Chancellor's International Scholarship (VCIS) Undergraduate Indian Academic Excellence.
- Plan to enrol in an undergraduate program that is longer than one session.
- Commence study in session 1 2017 or session 2 2017.
- Enrol in a full-time study load.

# YOU ARE NOT ELIGIBLE IF

- You are a citizen of Australia or New Zealand, or hold permanent residency of Australia.
- You are currently enrolled at Macquarie University for a program which is equivalent in level.
- You have already completed a higher level of study at another institution or are seeking a second qualification at the same level.
- You are in receipt of another equivalent or major award or scholarship from Macquarie University.
- You choose to defer your study at Macquarie University.
- You are currently enrolled in a Study Abroad or an Exchange program coming to Macquarie University.

#### **TENURE**

- Macquarie University reserves the right to amend these Conditions of Scholarship.
- The scholarship award is up to AU\$17,000 and valid to a standard program as stipulated in the scholarship offer letter.
- Recipients of the scholarship have no further claim to financial support from the University.
- If applicable, periods of study already undertaken towards the degree prior to the commencement of the award will be deducted from the maximum period of scholarship tenure.
- Any additional studies over and above the credit point requirement for the degree must be undertaken at the student's own expense, unless otherwise approved by the Scholarships Committee.
- All Scholarship holders are required to seek approval from the Scholarship Administrator before making any changes to their enrolment. This includes any changes such as: Return from leave of absence; Course transfer; Discontinuation of studies; Change in visa status; and Intention to enrol for Session 3 (if applicable).
- Scholarship holders may undertake part-time work subject to conditions of their Student Visa.
- Macquarie University must be satisfied that any part-time work does not interfere with the Scholarship holder's study program.
- Scholarship holders, if required, will assist Macquarie University with the promotional activity.

## **TERMINATION**

A Scholarship will be terminated if:

- The Scholarship holder does not commence in the session and year indicated in their offer of Scholarship;
- The Scholarship holder fails to maintain a GPA of 2.75 out of 4.0 or 4.75 out of 7.0 per session;
- The Scholarship holder is awarded any other equivalent or major award or scholarship;
- The Scholarship holder does not conform to the rules and regulations of the University as outlined in the Handbook for Postgraduate Studies, Handbook for Undergraduate Studies and Academic Manual;



- A student is granted of Permanent Resident status prior to commencement of the course for which the scholarship is awarded;
- The course of study has been completed, or on the death, incapacity, resignation, withdrawal or cessation of the Scholarship holder;
- When applicable, the scholarship holder does not resume study at the conclusion of a period of an approved suspension.

#### **EXTENSION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship cannot be extended.

## **OVERSEAS STUDENT HEALTH COVER (OSHC)**

 All international students studying in Australia are required to purchase and maintain OSHC for the duration of their studies. The Scholarship does not cover the cost of OSHC for the student and their dependants unless specified in the scholarship.

# STUDENT VISA INFORMATION

- In order to commence your study in Australia, you must obtain a Student Visa.
- Upon successfully completing your course and scholarship acceptance process, Macquarie University is required to provide you with an electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE) to enable you to apply for an Australian student Visa. The eCoE will not be issued until payment of the commencement fee minus the value of the scholarship is remitted.
- Scholarship holders will be responsible for any costs associated with obtaining a Student Visa to study in Australia.
- You should take the eCOE to the nearest Australian High Commission to apply for your Student Visa.
- It is the responsibility of each Scholarship holder to ensure they hold a valid visa for the duration of their stay in Australia. If a visa expires, the student may be required to leave Australia.
- All Australian Student Visas are subject to mandatory conditions which students are required to comply
  with. These include but are not limited to a limitation on work, maintaining enrolment and Overseas
  Student Health Cover (OSHC) and notifying the University of their Residential Address in Australia and
  any changes to their address. In addition, Student Visas may also have discretionary Conditions which
  are included in the visa documentation.
- Please note that the Australian Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP) has assessment criteria in place for the grant of a visa to study in Australia.
- Macquarie University is required by law to report any breach of visa conditions to the Department of Immigration. The Student Visa will be automatically cancelled 28 days after such a report is received unless the visa holder is able to show that no breach occurred.
- It is a requirement that all applicants for Student Visas have medical insurance. You are responsible for payment of your own Overseas Students Health Cover (OSHC) at the time of acceptance of Scholarship. The Australian Government issues visas for study in Australia subject to certain conditions, which are clearly notified with the visa documentation.
- Scholarship holders are expected to complete their study within the CRICOS registered length of the course of study.

Notwithstanding any of the conditions stated herein, scholarship holders are subject to the conditions of their student visa.

This should not be considered Visa advice. Students are encouraged to check the DIBP website <a href="http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Stud\_">http://www.border.gov.au/Trav/Stud\_</a> for the most up to date Visa information