

# **UTS Scholarship Conditions of Award Ezekiel Solomon Scholarship**

This document sets out the conditions of award for the below scholarship ('Scholarship') as well as the obligations of recipients ('Recipient') and the University of Technology Sydney ('UTS') in regards to this Scholarship. The administrative processes to support awarding this Scholarship will be managed, and may be amended, in accordance with UTS Rules, Policy and Procedures.

# 1. SCHOLARSHIP NAME: Ezekiel Solomon Scholarship

#### 2. PURPOSE

The Ezekiel Solomon Scholarship aims to assist a commencing or continuing UTS undergraduate Law student that demonstrate financial need and support them during their study.

In addition to financial need, students experiencing other educational disadvantage(s) may be given preference.

# 3. VALUE AND BENEFIT

#### 3.1 Number of Recipients:

One (1) new Recipient will be awarded the Scholarship each year.

# 3.2 Benefit/s to Recipient:

The maximum total value of the Scholarship is \$5,000 to each Recipient.

#### 3.3 Payment of benefit/s:

- Each Recipient will receive two payments per year by electronic funds transfer to their nominated bank account.
- Each payment will be \$2,500 (or the pro-rata amount if part-time study has been approved by exception as defined in clause 8).
- Payment is usually made within four weeks after the census date in Autumn and Spring sessions.
- Payments are subject to the Recipient satisfying ongoing eligibility criteria as defined in clause 8.

## 4. DURATION

- The duration of the Scholarship is one (1) year.
- The duration of the Scholarship may be extended if part-time study has been approved by exception as per clause 8.2.

#### 5. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for the Scholarship, an applicant must meet all of the following criteria:

- Australian or New Zealand citizen, or the holder of an Australian permanent resident visa or permanent humanitarian visa; and
- Commencing or continuing into a UTS Bachelor of Laws (single or combined) degree in the session the Scholarship is awarded in; and
- Have applied through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) for an Equity Scholarship and therein demonstrated financial disadvantage; and
- All candidates must apply using the UTS online Scholarships Application form to be eligible.

#### 6. RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA, IN NO PARTICULAR ORDER

- Financial disadvantage as demonstrated via the UAC Equity Scholarship application.
- As demonstrated in the scholarship application
  - Motivation to succeed in the chosen Faculty of Law course;
  - Demonstrated initiative in personal and professional life;

Additionally, preference may be given to applicants that have experienced any other educational barriers as assessed by the UAC Equity Scholarship. The following equity criteria will be considered:

- o Regional or remote background
- Sole parent responsibilities
- Carer responsibilities
- o Refugee Status
- Indigenous Australian
- Medical Disadvantage

#### 7. SELECTION

Applications of eligible candidates will be presented to a Scholarship Selection Committee, which will undertake the selection of recipient based on the above selection criteria.

The Scholarships Committee will be made up of three relevant members of the UTS community, Chaired by the Dean of the Faculty of Law (or their nominee), and is to include a representative from the Centre of Social Justice and Inclusion. The Donor (or Donor's nominee) will be invited to participate on the selection panel.

Scholarship offers will be authorised by the Chair of the Scholarship Selection Committee in line with the Scholarships and Prizes Policy.

## 8. ONGOING RECIPIENT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

#### 8.1 Academic progress

• The Recipient must maintain a minimum Pass average (WAM 50+) per session.

# 8.2 UTS enrolment

The Recipient:

- Must continue to be enrolled full-time (a minimum of 18 credit points in Autumn & Spring) in a Faculty of Law undergraduate program at UTS; or
- in particular circumstances may apply to the UTS Scholarships for approval of a part-time study load.
  The Recipient with an approved part-time study load may receive reduced Scholarship payments for
  the period of part-time study. The reduced Scholarship payment amount will be determined by the
  Scholarship Selection Committee at the time of the Recipient's application for approval of part-time
  study.

# 8.3 Leave / Deferral/Withdrawal:

- If the Recipient defers the UTS offer or withdraws from the UTS course after the start of the session in which the Scholarship is first awarded, the Scholarship may be terminated and any Scholarship payment already made for the session in which they withdraw is to be reimbursed to UTS.
- After the first session in which the Scholarship is awarded, the Recipient may apply to the UTS
   Scholarships to place the Scholarship on hold for the duration of approved leave of absence from
   studies. If the application is approved, payment of the Scholarship will be suspended for the period of
   leave. The Scholarship will be terminated if the Recipient does not apply to the Scholarships Office to
   place the Scholarship on hold.
- Provided the Recipient remains eligible, payments will be resumed (in accordance with Clause 3) to the Recipient after an approved leave of absence until the remaining value of the Scholarship has been paid, or another leave of absence is approved.

#### 8.4 Academic Integrity:

- UTS takes Academic Integrity very seriously and breaches (e.g. plagiarism, cheating, etc.) are considered Academic Misconduct. For more information on Academic Integrity at UTS can be found on the UTS Current Students pages of the UTS website.
- Any Academic Misconduct allegations proven by the University (and upheld if appealed) may result in the termination of this Scholarship and the University might require the Recipient to repay the total benefit received at time of termination.

#### 8.4 Other obligations and conditions

- The offer of the Scholarship is made subject to information provided by the Recipient being true and accurate.
- By accepting the offer of the Scholarship, each Recipient agrees to the Conditions of Award.
- The offer of the Scholarship is only valid for the intake defined in the Scholarship letter of offer and cannot be deferred.
- For the duration of the Scholarship the Recipient is not permitted to hold other scholarships, unless an equity-based scholarship is approved by exception.
- The Recipient is responsible for advising the Scholarships Office of any changes in circumstances that would make them ineligible for continuation of the Scholarship, e.g. reducing study load to part-time, taking leave of absence or deferring study.
- Any change in the Recipient's circumstances not addressed by these Conditions of Award will be considered by the Scholarships Office and/or the Scholarship Selection Committee on a case-by-case hasis
- The Recipient will be invited to consent to allowing their name, photograph and a short article to be used for the promotion of UTS.

#### 9. TERMINATION OF RECIPIENT'S SCHOLARSHIP

The Scholarship may be terminated:

- If the Recipient ceases to meet the eligibility criteria; or
- If the Recipient breaches any conditions of the Scholarship; or
- If UTS determines that the student is guilty of misconduct and after consultation with the Director, Student Administration and the delegate able to award the Scholarship deems that it is not appropriate for the Recipient to continue to hold the Scholarship.
- If the scholarship is terminated due to breaching any conditions or misconduct, the Recipient may be required to reimburse UTS for any scholarship payments already made.