



UTS Scholarship Conditions of Award

Longevity PT Scholarship (Masters of Clinical Exercise Physiology)

Unit: Faculty of Health

This document sets out the conditions of award for the below scholarship ('Scholarship') and the obligations of recipients ('Recipient') and the University of Technology Sydney ('UTS') in regard 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

Longevity PT Scholarship (Masters of Clinical Exercise Physiology)

2. PURPOSE

To provide financial support to a student who is currently experiencing financial or educational disadvantages which impact their ability to achieve their education goals while demonstrating an intention to pursue a career in clinical exercise physiology.

Longevity PT is a team of exercise professionals combining exercise physiology and exercise science.

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 \$10,000 to each Recipient.
- The Recipient may have an opportunity to undertake a work-integrated learning placement at Longevity PT as part of the Master of Clinical Physiology clinical placement course requirements, which is to take place at a mutually convenient time as arranged between the Recipient and Longevity PT. Any work placement will ordinarily take place in the year of award.

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 \$5,000 or the pro rata amount if part-time study has been approved by exception.
- Payment will usually be made within four weeks after the census dates in the Autumn and Spring sessions.
- Payments are subject to the Recipient satisfying ongoing eligibility criteria as defined in clause 8.

4. DURATION

- The maximum 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 the following criteria:

- Australian or New Zealand citizen or the holder of an Australian permanent resident visa or permanent humanitarian visa; and
- Enrolled in the Masters of Clinical Exercise Physiology (C04449) and completed the Autumn session prior to award (24 Credit points or equivalent); and
- Completing one of the following courses in the session immediately following award of the scholarship;
 - Clinical Exercise Physiology Placement 1 (94924)
 - Clinical Exercise Physiology Placement 2 (94933)
 - Clinical Exercise Physiology Placement 3 (94934); and
- All applicants must apply using the UTS Online Scholarships Application form to be eligible; and
- All candidates must be available to attend an interview (in person or via Teams).

Preference may be given to students who can demonstrate one or more of the following educational disadvantages that may include:

- Financial Hardship
- Regional or remote background
- Sole parent responsibilities
- Carer responsibilities
- Long-term medical condition/disability or ongoing effect of abuse
- Indigenous Australian heritage
- Refugee status

Applicants wishing to evidence the preferential criteria must complete the UAC Equity Scholarship application through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) therein demonstrating financial disadvantage¹ and/or other Educational Barrier/s.

6. RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA

As demonstrated in the Scholarship application and interview:

- Motivation to pursue a career in clinical exercise physiology as an accredited exercise physiologist.
- How the Scholarship would assist them to perform and/or achieve in their course at a higher level than would otherwise be the case
- Preference will be given to students who meet one or more educational disadvantages as outlined in Clause 6 via their UAC Equity Scholarship application

7. SELECTION

Eligible applicants will be presented to the Scholarship Selection Committee, which will undertake the selection of Recipients based on the above selection criteria.

The Scholarship Selection Committee will consist of at least three (3) relevant members of the UTS community, chaired by the Dean (or their nominee). The Committee is to include a member experienced in the selection of scholarships, a member from the Centre for Social Justice and Inclusion (CSJI), and the Clinical Exercise Physiology Program Director (or their nominee). The Donor (or their nominee) will be invited to sit on the Committee.

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

¹ Through receiving a means-tested Commonwealth income support payment (such as Parenting Payment Single, Disability Support Pension, Carer's Allowance, Austudy, ABSTUDY, Youth Allowance); OR by providing comprehensive information demonstrating exceptional financial hardship; OR Students may make an appointment for an alternative financial assessment with the UTS Financial Assistance Service in the Student Services Unit in order to evidence financial disadvantage. This is only available in cases when an applicant has been deemed ineligible based on not meeting the financial hardship criteria as specified above and as outlined in the UAC application, or has been unable to submit an Equity Scholarship

8. ONGOING RECIPIENT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

8.1 Academic progress:

- The Recipient must maintain a minimum Credit Average (WAM 65+) per session.

8.2 UTS enrolment:

The Recipient:

- must continue to be enrolled full-time (equivalent to a minimum of 18 credit points in both Autumn and Spring sessions) in a Masters of Clinical Exercise Physiology; or
- in some circumstances may apply to UTS Scholarships for approval of a part-time study load. The Recipient with an approved part-time study load may receive pro-rata payments for the period of part-time study.

8.3 Leave / Deferral / Course withdrawal:

- If the Recipient withdraws from the UTS course after the start of the session in which the Scholarship is first awarded, the Scholarship will be terminated and any Scholarship payment already made is to be reimbursed to UTS. In this case, the availability of the Scholarship will be readvertised.
- After successful completion of the first session in which the Scholarship is awarded, the Recipient may apply to 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 takes leave without approval from the Scholarships Office.
- Provided the Recipient remains eligible, payments will be resumed 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.

8.5 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, the Recipient agrees to the Conditions of Award.
- Recipients must comply with all UTS Rules, Policies and Procedures, including those relating to conduct.
- For the duration of the Scholarship the Recipient is not permitted to hold other UTS scholarships unless an equity-based scholarship is approved by exception.
- The Recipient is responsible for advising UTS Scholarships of any changes in circumstances that would make them ineligible for continuation of the Scholarship, for example, but not limited to, reducing study load to part-time, taking leave of absence, or deferring study.
- Any change in circumstances of the Recipient not addressed by these Conditions of Award, the Recipient may apply to the Scholarships Office, which will be considered by UTS Scholarships and/or the Scholarship Selection Committee case-by-case.
- The Recipient may be invited to consent to the use of their name, quotations, photographs, or videos of themselves for the promotion of UTS scholarships.

9. TERMINATION OF RECIPIENT'S SCHOLARSHIP

The Scholarship may be terminated if the Recipient:

- Ceases to meet the eligibility criteria; or
- Breaches any conditions of the Scholarship; or
- Has a misconduct allegation proven and after consultation with the Director, Student Administration, 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.