



**CHARLES WATSON TOP EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP  
2017 TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**WHAT THIS SCHOLARSHIP PROVIDES**

The Charles Watson Top Excellence Scholarship for 2017 will provide the following support for the \*expected duration of your undergraduate degree for up to a maximum of 4 years:

- 1) Total value of up to:
  - \$18,000 for a 3 year degree
  - \$21,000 for a 3.5 year degree
  - \$24,000 for a 4 year degree

The scholarship will be paid as a cash stipend of \$3,000 per semester. The stipend can be used at your discretion to contribute towards educational related expenses.

\*The expected duration of the scholarship is based on recipients undertaking a full-time study load of 200 credits per year. Any study that is taken over and above the expected duration of your initial degree will not be covered.

If you receive a Centrelink payment, you should declare to Centrelink any scholarships you are awarded.

The Australian Tax Office has a "[Is your scholarship taxable?](#)" tool on their website to help you determine if your scholarship is taxable. For expert advice please contact the Australian Taxation Office ([www.ato.gov.au](http://www.ato.gov.au)) or your accountant.

**Changing courses within Health Sciences:**

If you elect to change courses, you may transfer the remaining balance of your scholarship (as at the time of switching courses) across to the new degree. Any study that is taken over and above the expected duration of your initial degree for which the scholarship was awarded for will not be covered.

**Changing courses to a different faculty:**

If you elect to change to a course in a different faculty, your scholarship will transfer to a Curtin Excellence Scholarship in lieu of your Top Excellence Scholarship. The Curtin Excellence Scholarship is valued at \$2,500 per semester, thus your scholarship total value will be reduced. Any study that is taken over and above the expected duration of the initial degree for which the scholarship was awarded for will not be covered.

**CONDITIONS THAT NEED TO BE MET TO KEEP YOUR SCHOLARSHIP**

- 1) You must remain enrolled in an eligible Health Sciences undergraduate degree at Curtin University. If you intend to change courses, you are required to seek approval for this change from the Scholarships Office.
- 2) Unless there are **exceptional circumstances**:
  - Maintain a full-time enrolment of at least 75 credits per semester at Curtin University. If any study is undertaken below 75 credits per semester, you are required to seek approval for this change from the Scholarships Office.
  - Maintain a course weighted average (CWA) of at least 75 and pass all enrolled units per semester. Academic monitoring of scholarship recipients will occur each semester.
- 3) Leave of absence is permitted for up to a maximum of 12 months over the duration of the scholarship. If you intend to take a leave of absence, you must apply for your leave of absence through your faculty.
- 4) If you cease studies at Curtin, either voluntarily (e.g. by withdrawing from course or units) or involuntarily (e.g. termination from course due to unsatisfactory course progress or suspension, termination or expulsion due to misconduct), you will become ineligible for continuation of this scholarship. The scholarship will cease immediately and you will be required to repay any stipend awarded for the most recent study period.
- 5) The Charles Watson Top Excellence Scholarship is not transferable to another faculty or university.

Unless there are **exceptional circumstances**, if you have unsatisfactory progress or breach the scholarship conditions, you shall be ineligible to retain the scholarship. If you do not meet all the conditions outlined, you may be placed on a breached status which would provide an opportunity for you to improve your grades in the subsequent semester. This opportunity would occur only once for the duration of the scholarship.

**Exceptional circumstances** must be forwarded in writing to the Scholarships Office, along with supporting documentation (e.g. medical, counselling). Requests will then be assessed by the Scholarships Office and you will be notified of the outcome once a decision has been reached.

**PAYMENTS**

The Charles Watson Top Excellence Scholarship will commence from semester 1, 2017.

Cash payments of \$3,000 will be paid to your nominated bank account each semester.

Cash payments are based on full-time enrolment of 100 credits per semester.

First and second semester payments will occur approx. mid-March and mid-August.

**Note:** Your scholarship payment will appear on your bank statement with the reference as follows: DEPOSIT CONCUR TECHNOLOG CP#####.



Please read, sign and return (*pages 1 & 2*) of the  
Charles Watson Top Excellence Scholarship  
2017 Terms and Conditions

Curtin University  
Scholarships Office  
Building 101, Level 1  
GPO Box U1987  
PERTH WA 6845

**SCHOLARSHIP ACCEPTANCE AND CONSENT**

- I have read, understood and accept the attached Terms and Conditions governing the Charles Watson Top Excellence Scholarship and I agree to abide by these conditions and obligations outlined therein.
- I accept your offer of the Charles Watson Top Excellence Scholarship under the conditions specified.
- I understand that if I fail to meet my obligations as outlined in the Terms and Conditions or change any of the below course or major information without prior approval from the Scholarships Office, I risk my scholarship being terminated. Should this occur, I understand I will not be eligible to receive the semester payment for the remainder of my studies with Curtin University.
- I consent to the collection, use, storage and disclosure of my personal information by Curtin University in connection with the scholarship, including (without limitation) for the administration of the Charles Watson Top Excellence Scholarship, Curtin University's general administrative purposes which includes communications involving surveys, the availability of courses, alumni activity, newsletters and promoting the scholarships program through any medium whatsoever (including, without limitation, through advertisements, posters, books, articles, social media websites and on the world wide web generally) for public relations, promotional, commercial and advertising purposes.

**DEFERRAL OPTION**

I wish to defer my offer of the Charles Watson Top Excellence Scholarship for:

- 6 months
- 12 months

**I will be enrolling into the following course:**

Bachelor of \_\_\_\_\_ (degree title and major)

(E.g. Bachelor of Social Work)

Curtin Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Parent/guardian signature required for students under 18 years of age)