

INDIGENOUS COMMONWEALTH EDUCATION COSTS SCHOLARSHIP (ICECS) 2018 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

WHAT THIS SCHOLARSHIP PROVIDES

The Indigenous Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship (ICECS) for 2018 will provide the following support for the *expected duration of your enabling course, associate or undergraduate degree:

- A cash stipend of \$1,500 per semester, based on a study load of at least 75 credits per semester
- Or
- A cash stipend of \$750 per semester, based on a part-time study load of 50 credits 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 study load of at least 50 credits per semester. Any study that is taken over and above the expected duration of your initial degree will not be covered.

You **cannot** receive the ICECS and the Student Start-up Scholarship/Loan from Centrelink at the same period.

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

CONDITIONS THAT NEED TO BE MET TO KEEP YOUR SCHOLARSHIP

- 1) Deferral of this scholarship is not permitted.
- 2) Unless there are **exceptional circumstances**:
 - Maintain an enrolment of at least 50 credits per semester at Curtin University. If any study is undertaken below 50 credits, you are required to seek approval for this change from the Scholarships Office.
 - Maintain a course weighted average (CWA) of at least 50 and fail no more than one unit per semester. Academic monitoring of scholarship recipients will occur each semester.
- 3) You must not be in receipt of a Student Start-up Scholarship/Loan from Centrelink or the Department of Veterans' Affairs.
- 4) You must not be in receipt of any Commonwealth Scholarship(s) that was awarded prior to 2018.
- 5) You must not already have completed a course of study that is equivalent to a bachelor degree at any university, unless such degree is a prerequisite to your current course of study.
- 6) You must advise the Scholarships Office immediately if your financial situation changes from what was provided in your initial scholarship application.
- 7) If you do not meet the above enrolment conditions, 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.
- 8) 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 and notify the Scholarships Office once it has been requested.
- 9) If you intend to change your course of study you must first apply in writing and seek approval from the Manager, Scholarships Office in addition to getting approval from your faculty.
- 10) The ICECS is not transferable between universities.

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 ICECS will commence from semester 1, 2018.

Cash payments of \$1,500 (full-time rate) or \$750 (part-time rate) will be paid to your nominated bank account each semester.

First and second semester payments will occur post census dates (approx. mid-end April and mid-end Sept).

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

**Please read, sign and return one complete (pages 1 & 2) copy of the
Indigenous Commonwealth Education Costs Scholarship (ICECS)
Terms and Conditions 2018**

SCHOLARSHIP ACCEPTANCE AND CONSENT

- ☐ I have read, understood and accept the attached Terms and Conditions governing the ICECS and I agree to abide by these conditions and obligations outlined therein.
- ☐ I accept your offer of an ICECS 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 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 cash payment for the remainder of my studies with the university.
- ☐ I understand that I must advise the Scholarships Office immediately if my financial situation improves from what was provided in my initial scholarship application.
- ☐ 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 ICECS, 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.
- ☐ I consent my personal information (my name, date of birth, address and scholarship type) will be used for the purposes of administering the Indigenous Commonwealth Scholarship (ICS) program and that my personal information will be disclosed to the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet for the Department's purposes of administering the ICS program, and disclosed by the Department to the Department of Human Services to be used for the Department of Human Services' purposes of administering the Student Start-up Scholarship/Loans.

DECLARATION

- ☐ I declare that I have not consumed any entitlement of a Commonwealth Scholarship with Curtin or any other provider that I have not previously disclosed during the application process.
- ☐ I declare I have not accepted or received a Start-up Scholarship/Loan from Centrelink or that if I have; I have notified Centrelink that I wish to rescind my acceptance of the said Start-up Scholarship/Loan and where applicable, return the relevant funds to Centrelink.

I will be enrolling into the following course:

Course name: _____

Student Full Name: _____

Curtin Student ID: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

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

Return signed document to:

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