



UTS Scholarship Conditions of Award

Ross Milbourne Elite Athlete 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: Ross Milbourne Elite Athlete Scholarship

2. PURPOSE

To attract talented, aspiring athletes with the desire to pursue State, National and International competition and enhance their educational opportunities by providing support for expenses directly linked to their study.

3. VALUE AND BENEFIT

3.1 Number of Recipients:

- Two (2) Recipients will be awarded the scholarship each year.

3.2 Benefit/s to Recipient:

- The total value of the Scholarship for each Recipient is \$5,000.

3.3 Payment of benefit/s:

- The Scholarship payment will be made in one of the following ways:
 - For UTS students - the Recipient will receive two payments per year by Electronic Funds Transfer to their nominated bank account. Each payment will be \$2,500 and payment will be made after the census dates in Autumn and Spring sessions.
 - For UTS College students - the funds will be paid directly to UTS College to contribute to the Recipient's tuition fees for the session that the scholarship is awarded. In the event the UTS College student has no tuition fees owing, the Recipient will receive one payment of \$5,000 by Electronic Funds Transfer to their nominated bank account.
- Payment is subject to the Recipient satisfying eligibility criteria as defined in clause 5 and clause 8.

4. DURATION:

The duration of the Scholarship is one (1) year.

5. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Eligible candidates will be identified by ActivateUTS and must meet all of the following criteria:

- Be an Australian or New Zealand citizen, or the holder of an Australian permanent resident visa or permanent humanitarian visa; and
- Be enrolled or intend to enrol in a UTS undergraduate course or an UTS College Diploma program in the session for which the scholarship is offered; and
- Must compete as/or demonstrate potential as a:
 - World Class Athlete (Olympian, World Championships); or
 - Elite Athlete who competes at State or National level; and
- Must be accepted into the UTS Elite and Emerging Athlete Program; and
- All candidates must be available to attend an interview (in person or via zoom), if required.

In addition, preference will be given to applicants who:

- Demonstrate potential to represent Australia at the Olympics, and/or
- Will represent the University where required at State, National, and International University events.

6. RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA

- Athletic achievement, as determined by the UTS Elite Athlete Program.
- Likelihood that the receipt of the Scholarship will significantly increase the candidate's academic and sporting progress at a higher level of performance than would otherwise be the case.
- Ability to represent UTS in sport.
- Academic achievement.
- Ability to publicly represent UTS/UTS College and ActivateUTS as an Elite Athlete.

7. SELECTION

Shortlisted candidates will be presented to a Scholarship Selection Committee, which will undertake the selection of the Recipient, based on the above selection criteria, usually in March.

The Selection Committee will be made up of at least three relevant members of the UTS community, chaired by the Director, UTS Sport, ActivateUTS (or their nominee). The Donor (or their representative) will be invited to sit on the Committee.

Offers will be authorised by the chair of the Scholarship Selection Committee.

8. ONGOING RECIPIENT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

8.1 Academic progress:

The Recipient must maintain a UTS minimum Pass (WAM 50+) each session or UTS College minimum GPA of 4/Pass.

8.2 Enrolment:

The Recipient must continue to be enrolled part-time or full-time in an undergraduate program at UTS or a Diploma course at UTS College.

8.3 Athletic Participation:

- The Recipient must continue to compete at a:
 - World Class Athlete (Olympian, World Championships); or
 - National Team (Open or Junior) member; or
 - Elite Athlete who competes at a National level; or
- Commit to becoming a valued, contributing member of the UTS sporting community
- Provide ActivateUTS:
 - With a calendar of events, highlighting their major events; and
 - A written report advising of the progress in sport, in addition outline how the Scholarship has added value to their sporting career. The report is to be submitted to ActivateUTS in the second session of the Scholarship as outlined in the offer letter.

8.4 Academic Integrity

- UTS takes Academic Integrity very seriously and breaches (e.g. plagiarism, cheating, etc.) are considered Academic Misconduct. More information on Academic Integrity at UTS can be found on the Current Student 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 Deferral / Course withdrawal

If the Recipient defers the offer or withdraws from their 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 in that session may be asked to be reimbursed to UTS.

8.6 Other obligations and conditions:

- The Athlete is to be available for UTS/UTS College athletic excellence promotions as required by ActivateUTS.
- The Recipient must provide ActivateUTS with a copy of their academic transcript for each session.
- 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.
- The Recipient is responsible for advising the UTS Scholarships of any changes in circumstances that would make them ineligible for continuation of the Scholarship, e.g. 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 UTS Scholarships Office and/or the Scholarship Selection Committee case-by-case.

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/UTS College determines that the student is guilty of misconduct 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.

10. FUNDING

10.1 Internal UTS funding: N/A

External Funding: Emeritus Professor Ross Milbourne has given a gift of \$25,000 to support the scholarship, in addition to \$5,000 remaining from a previous Gift Agreement.

10.2 Funding Projection:

Recipients	2024	2025	2026
New	2	2	2
Ongoing	0	0	0
Total annual	2	2	2
Annual Amounts	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000

11. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

11.1 Owning Faculties/Units: ActivateUTS

11.2 Managing Faculties/Units: ActivateUTS

12. PUBLICATION OF CONDITIONS OF AWARD

- UTS Scholarships must be notified of these Conditions of Award prior to approval.
- On approval, the Conditions of Award must be forwarded to the UTS Scholarships for publication of clauses 1 to 9 on the UTS website.
- Recipients must be notified of clauses 1 to 9 at the time of Scholarship offer being made.

13. DOCUMENT REVIEW

The formal review date for this document is by the end of 2026.

14. APPROVAL*

Endorsement from all stakeholders listed at clause 11 must be sought before final approval. Approval must be in accordance with the Scholarships and Prizes Policy and UTS Standing Delegations.

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**Signatures are not necessary if approval/endorsement is documented in writing.*