

ADELAIDE GRADUATE FEE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS – 2008



CRICOS Provider No 00123M

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

Effective from 20 September 2007

INTRODUCTION

Adelaide Graduate Fee Scholarships (AGFS) are available to eligible candidates to undertake a higher degree by research at the University of Adelaide in 2008. The Scholarship provides payment of tuition fees for the program in line with the scholarship tenure and conditions described below.

An eligible candidate would be currently enrolled at the University of Adelaide or have completed a program at the University in 2006 and meets the entry requirements for admission into a research program (Masters by Research or Doctor of Philosophy) in 2008.

PURPOSE

The scholarship provides payment of international student tuition fees set by the University. The scholarship **DOES NOT** provide a living allowance or Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC). The scholarship may only be used for the program of study which it is provided for and cannot be used for any other purpose.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

In order to be eligible for consideration a student must:

- be completing a four year undergraduate degree or equivalent (with First Class Honours) or Masters degree at the University of Adelaide in 2007 OR have completed the above in 2006;
- be eligible to enrol as a commencing student in a full-time postgraduate research program at the University of Adelaide in 2008;
- be an international student;
- not be currently enrolled in a higher degree by research at the University of Adelaide.

SELECTION

The selection of applicants for Adelaide Graduate Fee Scholarships is the responsibility of the Graduate Scholarships Committee at the University of Adelaide.

SELECTION CRITERIA

All applicants will be placed in a preliminary order of merit based on their undergraduate record, their honours result and division and their referees' scores according to the following weightings:

Undergraduate record	40% (first year disregarded, second year 16.5%, third year 23.5%)*
Honours & Division	50% (1(i) = 50; 1(ii) = 35; 1(iii) = 20; 2A(i) = 10)
Referees Reports	10% (average of two reports)

*in the case of five and six year degrees, these will be ranked on a case by case basis and, where appropriate, results may be averaged over two or more years to derive an equivalent score that is representative of the applicant's overall undergraduate performance.

Non-graded passes are generally disregarded for ranking purposes. If a large proportion of the undergraduate results are comprised of non-graded passes, or the undergraduate results are unrepresentative for any reason, advice may be sought from the school/discipline to ascertain an appropriate estimate of the level of undergraduate performance.

Applicants holding masters degrees with significant coursework components will be assessed individually on their merits.

TENURE

Up to two years for a Masters by research or up to three years and six months for a Doctor of Philosophy, subject to satisfactory academic progress. Any extension beyond three and a half years for a PhD candidate requires the approval of the Graduate Scholarships Committee. Such an extension would only be granted in exceptional circumstances where it can be demonstrated that inability to complete the degree within three and a half years was caused by circumstances beyond the control of the student and related to his or her studies.

The period of tenure commences on the first day of enrolment in the degree. **Students are not permitted to enrol on a part-time basis.**

BENEFITS

The Adelaide Graduate Fee Scholarships will only pay the full tuition fee for each student annually. No other allowances will be paid.

VISA ENTITLEMENTS AND REQUIREMENTS

International candidates are required to pay for visa application fees and meet the costs of any medical examinations associated with the issue or renewal of visas for themselves and their dependants. It is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure they hold a valid visa while in Australia.

If a visa expires, the candidate may be removed from Australia.

HEALTH CARE COVER

International candidates and their dependants are required to have Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) for the duration of their program. This cost will NOT be covered by this award.

COMMENCEMENT

The scholarship must be taken up in the year for which it is offered.

The University may withdraw the award if an applicant does not commence by the agreed date, fails to provide documentation required under a provisional offer, provides false or misleading documentation or fails to maintain satisfactory progress in their program.

DEFERMENT

It is not possible to defer the award. Leave of absence for the purpose of deferring the commencement date will not be allowed.

EMPLOYMENT

International candidates are not automatically given the right to work when they are issued with a student visa. Award holders who wish to work while studying in Australia will be required to apply for, and receive, a new student visa with permission to work attached as a condition of that visa. Any enquiries concerning visas and visa applications must be made through the University's International Student Centre.

The University does not require a candidate to undertake employment and the Graduate Scholarships Committee must be satisfied that part-time work does not interfere with the study program. Candidates should refer to the regulations governing work permit visas, defined by the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC).

TRANSFER OF AWARD

The award cannot be transferred to any other institution.

TERMINATION

An award will be terminated upon submission of the thesis or when the award expires, whichever is the earlier. An award will be terminated before this time if the University concludes that a student has not fulfilled the obligations of the award, has not met or continued to meet eligibility criteria or made satisfactory progress.

An award may be terminated if the holder ceases to study or ceases to be enrolled and does not apply for or is not approved for suspension of the award.

SUPERVISION, ACADEMIC PROGRESS, LEAVE OF ABSENCE, EXTENSION AND CANCELLATION OF ENROLMENT

Candidates must comply with all the University's policies and procedures relating to the above as outlined in the 'Research Student Handbook' which can be found at http://www.adelaide.edu.au/graduatecentre/forms/rs_handbook_2007.pdf.

All students will also be subject to the requirements of the Education Services for Overseas Students Act 2000 (ESOS Act), the National Code of Practice for Registration Authorities and Providers of Education and Training to Overseas Students (The National Code 2007), and to UA's policies and procedures. UA policies can be found at <http://www.adelaide.edu.au/policies/>

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CLOSING DATE- 31 OCTOBER 2007