

Conditions of the McCusker Scholarship in Law

The McCusker Charitable Foundation have agreed to donate the sum of \$5000 per annum, subject to annual review, to provide a scholarship for students in the School of Law at The University of Notre Dame Australia (the University). The scholarship is administered in accordance with the following conditions:

1. NAME OF SCHOLARSHIP

McCusker Scholarship in Law

2. PURPOSE OF SCHOLARSHIP

The purpose of the scholarship is to assist an eligible student to continue full-time study for the degree of Bachelor of Laws at the University.

Those eligible for the Scholarship shall be students who:

- a) Are enrolled full time on the Fremantle Campus of the University in the Bachelor of Laws course; and
- b) Have completed at least 1 year of full time study towards the three or four year Bachelor of Laws degree

3. VALUE OF SCHOLARSHIP

The value of the scholarship is \$5,000 per scholarship.

4. DURATION OF AWARD

- a) Each scholarship is tenable for one year.
- b) Recipients are eligible to apply for a further one year Scholarship in the following year.
- c) No student shall be awarded the Scholarship more than twice.

5. BODY RESPONSIBLE FOR SELECTION

The Selection Committee for the Scholarship will comprise:

- a) The Dean of the School of Law, Fremantle, or nominee as Chair;
- b) The Associate Dean of the School of Law, or nominee; and
- c) A representative of the McCusker Charitable Foundation, or nominee.

6. SELECTION CRITERIA

- a) The scholarship is awarded to the applicant who, in the opinion of the selection committee, best demonstrates through their application and supporting documentation:
 - i) Academic achievement;
 - ii) Financial need; and
 - iii) An interest in Legal Ethics, as evidenced in their curriculum vitae or other application documentation.
- b) Financial need may be demonstrated by the applicant by:
 - i) Being in receipt of a means tested Commonwealth income support payment (such as Austudy, Abstudy, Youth Allowance); or
 - ii) Submitting a statement of financial hardship and its impact on educational opportunities.

7. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- a) Written applications are called for annually and must be submitted to the Senior Administrative Officer of the School of Law by the advertised closing date.

- b) Written applications addressing the selection criteria must include:
 - (i) A curriculum vitae;
 - (ii) A statement outlining the applicant's interest in Law, specifically Legal Ethics; and
 - (iii) Supporting documentation regarding financial need.

8. SELECTION PROCESS

- a) Selection of the recipient is made by the selection committee having regard to the applicant's academic records, application form and supporting documentation.
- b) The selection committee may interview short-listed applicants.
- c) The selection committee may decide in any year not to award the scholarship.

9. AWARDING PROCEDURE

- a) The Scholarship will be awarded by the School of Law on the recommendation of the Selection Committee.
- b) The Scholarship shall be presented annually by a representative of the McCusker Foundation, or nominee, at the School of Law annual awards ceremony.

10. METHOD OF PAYMENT

- a) A scholarship is normally paid in two equal instalments in each year of award;
- b) One instalment is normally paid on or following the census date in each of first and second semesters; and
- c) Payment of the second and subsequent instalments is subject to the recipient making satisfactory progress in accordance with the rules of the course in relation to which the scholarship is awarded.

11. CRITERIA FOR CONTINUATION

Continuation of the scholarship is subject to the recipient making satisfactory progress in accordance with the rules for the course and remaining enrolled in the course for which the scholarship is awarded.

12. CONCURRENT SCHOLARSHIPS

The Scholarship may be held concurrently with other awards.

13. PUBLICATIONS

Any thesis, dissertation or other publications resulting from research undertaken by the recipient while in receipt of the McCusker Scholarship in Law must acknowledge the support of the scholarship and carry the University by-line.

14. PRIVACY

The University is committed to the principles contained in the Privacy Act 1988 (Commonwealth) and the Privacy Amendment (Private Sector) Act 2000 (Commonwealth) and will not disclose any personal information (as defined in the Privacy Act) relating to this Scholarship to any third party without the written consent of the applicant.

15. ADMINISTERING BODY

The scholarship is administered by the School of Law, Fremantle.

Date of Establishment: 2010