

**UNIVERSITY OF NEW ENGLAND**  
**Services UNE Scholarship for New England Region School Leavers**  
**Terms and Conditions**

**1. Introduction**

The University of New England has established undergraduate scholarships to support students who have a record of academic achievement, and have been involved in leadership positions in school and the community. Some scholarships are funded by donations or grants from individuals or organisations and may include specific criteria beyond the usual University requirements.

In 2011 the recipient will commence full-time, on-campus studies in an undergraduate degree at the University of New England.

**2. Details**

Value:	<b>\$5,000 per annum</b>
Number Awarded:	<b>1</b>
Duration:	<b>One year with the opportunity to reapply in subsequent years</b>
Study Mode:	<b>Full-time, on-campus</b>

**3. Eligibility**

- Open to students completing Year 12 and gap year/s students who are commencing University study for the first time in the year following application.
- The applicant must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident as defined by the Commonwealth (refer to [www.goingtouni.gov.au](http://www.goingtouni.gov.au)).
- The applicant will be a resident of the New England region, but will not be a resident in the UNE residential college system or affiliated college during the year in which the scholarship is awarded
- The applicant must have completed secondary studies at a High School in the New England region
- The applicant must be able to demonstrate financial disadvantage.

**4. Selection**

- In 2011 the scholarships will be awarded to a student on the basis of academic merit as indicated by the applicant's performance in the NSW HSC, or equivalent
- The applicant must attach evidence to support financial need, which may be:
  - a copy of a Centrelink statement;
  - their parent's/parents' Income Tax Return/s (if dependent); or
  - their own Income Tax Return (if independent); and
  - a letter from an authorised person (e.g. family doctor, accountant) that comments on the applicant's financial circumstances.
- The applicant should provide a written statement describing how they would benefit from the scholarship. The statement should also include obstacles they have overcome in financial, geographic, cultural or other disadvantages.

## **5. Report/s**

Number required:

- 1 (one) – Statement about benefits of the scholarship and overcoming disadvantage

## **6. Closing Date**

31 January 2011

## **7. Conditions.**

- Undergraduate scholarship holders may not hold more than one UNE scholarship if the combined value is greater than three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) per annum.
- The scholarship shall be administered by and awarded on the recommendation of the Undergraduate Scholarships Committee.
- There will be no commitment by the University to employ the recipient.
- The scholarship is intended for the nominated undergraduate course and may not be deferred or transferred without the written approval of the Chair of the Undergraduate Scholarships Committee.
- The scholarship is payable in two instalments after each census date (mid-April and mid-September).
- If you make any changes to your enrolment after receiving your instalment you must notify the Undergraduate Scholarships Team. If you no longer satisfy the conditions of the scholarship you may be required to repay the instalment.
- Continuation of the scholarship is subject to satisfactory academic progress at no less than pass standard as well as continuing financial disadvantage.
  - The scholarship shall comprise a cash payment of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) conditional upon the recipient maintaining at least a pass average or equivalent GPA and demonstrated involvement in cultural, community or sporting activities.
  - It is expected that the recipient will be enrolled full-time, on campus unless a unit is offered only as an off-campus unit and the unit is a requirement of the course. Where three or more units within a semester are offered only as off-campus units (including fully online units), and the units are a requirement of the course, a student may appeal to the Undergraduate Scholarships Committee for continuation of the scholarship. Each case will be assessed on its merits.
- Recipients will be required to submit brief reports (by 30<sup>th</sup> June and 30<sup>th</sup> November) on their progress with their studies and show involvement in cultural and community or sporting activities as well as general participation in University life.
- Additional conditions may apply to some scholarships and may vary by scholarship (e.g. specific conditions on eligibility, voluntary work requirements and payment schedules). When offers are made for these scholarships, the recipient will be made aware of specific conditions that apply.
- Any request to vary the conditions of the scholarship must be made in writing and will be determined at the discretion of the Undergraduate Scholarships Committee.
- The recipient will be required to attend the annual scholarships presentation evening, if they are invited to do so, and may be asked to participate in activities to promote this scholarship, including public speaking, donor liaison, media interviews and photographs.
- UNE may change these Conditions on written notice to the recipient.

## **8. Acceptance of Conditions**

- In accepting the Services UNE Scholarship for New England Regional School Leavers Scholarship, the recipient acknowledges that he/she is accepting the terms and conditions outlined above.
- Failure to meet the requirements of these terms and conditions may lead to the termination of the scholarship.