

**UNIVERSITY OF NEW ENGLAND**  
**The ABARE Honours Scholarship**  
**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 within the University 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.

ABARE seeks to support top caliber economics and applied economics students who are highly motivated and will be able to contribute creatively to a comprehensive program of economic research on a range of issues influencing the agricultural, mineral, energy and resource sectors.

The applicant will have a strong desire to work in areas related to the rural and resource sectors of the Australian economy.

The recipient is encouraged to undertake work experience with ABARE during the vacation period prior to commencing the forth year of their course.

**2. Details**

Value:	<b>\$6,000</b>
Number Awarded:	<b>1</b>
Duration:	<b>1 year</b>
Study Mode:	<b>Full-time, on-campus, off-campus</b>

**3. Eligibility**

- 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)) who is entering the forth year of a Bachelor of Agricultural Economics or Bachelor of Agricultural and Resource Economics.
- The applicant will have a Credit average or above, or equivalent (GPA). An applicant who does not meet this requirement, but who provides evidence that they meet all other criteria will be eligible to apply.
- The applicant will enrol in units relevant to the fields of agriculture, mineral, energy or resource economics.
- The applicant will have completed the first three years of their course in the minimum time.

**4. Selection**

- The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academic merit as indicated by recent academic records.
- The applicant should provide a statement describing their career aspirations, interpersonal and communications skills, initiative and self motivation.

**5. Report/s**

Number required: 1 (one) – Reference commenting on the applicant’s personal attributes.

**6. Closing Date**

15 November

**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 School of Business, Economics and Public Policy.
- 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 shall comprise a cash payment of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) for one year.
- The scholarship is payable directly to the recipient’s bank account in 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 Officer. If you no longer satisfy the conditions of the scholarship you may be required to repay the instalment.
- 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 involvement in sporting, cultural and community activities as well as 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.
- The recipient is encourage to undertake work experience with ABARE during the vacation period prior to commencing the forth year of their course.
- Before the commencement of any work experience, the recipient must:
  - Sign a Workready Agreement for the period/s of the work experience required under the Terms and Conditions of the scholarship; and
  - Undertake the compulsory 5 hours Workready preparatory training and complete the assessment.
- 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 ABARE Honours 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.