



University of Canberra Ngunnawal Centre Equity Bursary

Conditions of Award

Purpose of the Bursary

Each year, University of Canberra will award Ngunnawal Centre Equity Bursaries to a select number of students who have identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

The bursaries provide financial assistance to help the students fully participate and succeed in their chosen studies.

Financial assistance can eliminate barriers to education and enhance access to information. It enables students to access course material, essential technology, and enhance their student life.

Suggested uses:

- Essential technology for study e.g. laptop, tablet, keyboard, mouse, etc.
- Noise cancelling headphones
- License to digital tools for duration of study
- Transportation costs

Bursary Details

The Bursary shall be known as the Ngunnawal Centre Equity Bursary.

This Bursary is funded by the Ngunnawal Center through the Indigenous Student Support (ISSP) funds.

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Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Must be known to the staff of the Ngunnawal Centre
- Identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and provide Confirmation of Aboriginality to support the application
- Be willing to be involved in publicity events and provide feedback and updates on their academic progress

Application

Details on how to apply for this Bursary, including opening and closing dates, will be advertised on the [Ngunnawal Centre webpage](#). Purchases will be made as soon as possible after census date.

Students are expected to apply only once through the Application portal available through the Ngunnawal Centre website. Applicants must answer each question in the application form truly and to the best of their knowledge at the time of applying. Any major change in the application must be conveyed to the Ngunnawal Centre at NgunnawalCentre@canberra.edu.au before the closing date. After this date, applications will be considered based on the original application. In case of multiple applications, the latest application will be considered.

Selection

The Ngunnawal Center Manager (or their Nominee) will take the following criteria into consideration when making their selection, thus applicants are advised to address these factors in their application.

Demonstrated need for the equipment/resources:

- Justification of the need for equipment/resources.
- Implications of not having the equipment/resources.
- Academic history and progress.

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Number of Bursaries

The Ngunnawal Centre has a nominated budget available to provide financial support for Bursaries. Only one application will be accepted from each student per semester, with an expected maximum budget of \$3,000 per purchase. Students requiring additional financial support should consult with Ngunnawal Centre Student Support Coordinators in the first instance.

Bursary funds are awarded based on need and allocated in accordance with the nominated budget each semester. The bursary will initially be offered for both 2025 and 2026 with a maximum budget allocated annually.

Value and Tenure of the Bursary

Students may apply for funding for technology/equipment/resources/software up to \$3,000. The value of each bursary is determined by the Ngunnawal Center Manager (or their Nominee) in accordance with the support being provided and the need of the student. The Ngunnawal Centre will manage the acquisition and payment directly with the nominated provider. In exceptional circumstances, students can provide recent proof of payment for the item they have purchased for the purposes of study and the bursary money will be credited directly to the student's account via electronic transfer.

Enrolment Conditions

The recipient must be enrolled as an active student after the census date for the Bursary to be awarded. In the event of a change of degree, the student must notify The Ngunnawal Centre at NgunnawalCentre@canberra.edu.au. If a student is found ineligible with regard to enrolment or unsatisfactory academic results in the previous semester, the Bursary may be rescinded.

Recipient Conditions

Recipients must adhere to the University of Canberra's policies and procedures. Recipients must agree to their academic progress being made known to the Ngunnawal Centre. The recipients are encouraged to liaise and meet with the Ngunnawal Centre team and provide a brief summary of how the Bursary assisted them with their studies when required.

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The recipient is also encouraged to participate in publicity for the Bursary from time to time. Recipients may be contacted for an interview and photograph. The University may also publicise the Bursary by publishing the names of the scholars. Arrangements for such publicity will be made through either the Ngunnawal Centre, Advancement Office, or Media Office. Subject to the information available at the time, the Director of Student Life may request that the payment for the semester in which a breach of conditions or withdrawal occurs be refunded in part or in full.

Providing False or Misleading Information

The awarding of a Bursary/grant is based on the information provided to the University. An award may be withdrawn at any stage if incorrect, false, or misleading information is provided, or relevant information is withheld. This includes circumstances where the false information is unrelated to the assessment in awarding the scholarship/grant.

Deferment

The Bursary cannot be deferred.

Taxation and Centrelink

The recipients are responsible for seeking taxation and Centrelink advice regarding their own individual circumstances. Scholarships/grants may be regarded as taxable income if a recipient is enrolled on a part-time basis. For information on how your award may affect your Centrelink benefits, see this website.

Related Policies, Procedures and Rules

- [Scholarships, Prizes, Medals, and Excellence Awards Policy](#)
- [Scholarships and Prizes Procedure](#)
- [Student Charter](#)
- [Student Conduct Rules](#)

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