

EMERGING LEADERS SCHOLARSHIP

Master of Business Administration (Part-Time)

Conditions of Award

Background

This Scholarship, titled the Emerging Leaders Scholarship, is a Business School funded initiative for The University of Sydney, Master of Business Administration (part-time).

Purpose

The Emerging Leaders Scholarship is dedicated to the MBA (Part-Time) program and seeks to identify and engage eligible top candidates based on merit, with a focus on academic achievement and business leadership potential.

Eligibility

Open to applicants who meet the eligibility criteria for admission to the degree, Master of Business Administration (part-time). Applicants with Australian citizenship, Australian permanent residency or New Zealand citizenship are eligible for admission to the Master of Business Administration. The degree is currently not available to international students studying on a student visa. Employees of the University of Sydney, partners of the promotion and those involved in the selection process are ineligible to apply.

Value and tenure

The scholarship covers full tuition fees for the duration of the MBA (part-time) program and is tenable for up to three years in part-time study (1.5 years full-time equivalent). The recipient must maintain a minimum enrolment load of one unit of study each semester. The scholarship will be provided as an offset to student's tuition fee following census dates each session. All recipients receiving this award are required to pay their Student Services and Amenities fee.

Selection

Applicants must apply through the Seeking Australia's Emerging Leaders campaign, which is jointly run by The University of Sydney and the Australian Financial Review (AFR).

The initial selection criteria reflect that of the MBA (part-time), as follows:

A bachelor's degree, graduate diploma or other AQF Level 7 qualification with a minimum credit (65%) average, or equivalent at an institution approved by the School and at a standard acceptable to the School (with original transcript to be submitted at, or prior, to interview), with:

- at least 3 years work experience and experience in a management position;
- a Statement of Motivation; a one page statement of motivation outlining what the applicant hopes to achieve professionally and personally by completing The University of Sydney MBA;
- a selection interview establishing the candidates suitability for the degree.

In exceptional circumstances, the School may admit you without these qualifications if, in the opinion of the School, you have qualifications and evidence of experience and achievement sufficient to successfully undertake the award.

The following outlines the steps involved in the selection process:

- following the closing date for the Emerging Leaders Scholarship campaign, all eligible applicants will be assessed and a pool of a maximum of 50 selected for a Master class;
- The Master class will be held in October. Upon completion applicants will be invited to submit a reflective essay, with details to be provided at the Master class.
- Based on performance at the Master class and the reflective essay the Emerging Leaders scholarship selection committee will shortlist a maximum of fifteen (15) applicants.
- Shortlisted applicants will be required to attend a program eligibility interview with MBA admissions staff. Applicants subsequently deemed eligible for entry to the MBA will be invited to a final interview with the Emerging Leaders Scholarship selection committee.
- The five (5) Finalists will be required to attend an interview in November. The interview panel will include staff from the University of Sydney, an alumni partner representative and a representative from the AFR.

The interview panel will make a recommendation to the Dean, University of Sydney Business School, who will make the final decision. The recommendation of the interview panel will be based on application, motivation, and performance in the Master class, reflective essay and interview. The Recipient will be announced in November.

Scholarship terms and conditions

The scholarship is offered for, and tenable in the Master of Business Administration (part-time).

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

The scholarship holder is not permitted to defer or suspend their enrolment in the degree to receive the scholarship.

The scholarship holder must maintain a continuous enrolment, no leave of absence is allowed, except under exceptional circumstances such as a medical condition which limits the student's capacity to undertake study. Such requests must be supported by the Director, MBA.

In the event that the scholarship holder changes degree or discontinues study, the scholarship is no longer tenable.

The award is conditional on the scholar meeting all regulations of the coursework program.

To retain the scholarship, the holder must also achieve a 75% Distinction Grade average each semester.

The scholarship may not be held concurrently with other University scholarship funds awarded to assist with the student's tuition fees.

Employees of the University of Sydney, partners of the promotion and those involved in the selection process are ineligible to apply.

The scholarship holder will be invited to promote the MBA (part-time) program in which they are enrolled and represent the Business School at student orientation, marketing events and corporate networking events.

NB: Students receiving this scholarship and enrolled in part-time study may be subject to income tax. Please check with Australian Taxation Office for more details www.ato.gov.au.