ICMS Professional Scholarship Program

APPLICATIONS CLOSE: FRIDAY 6 AUGUST 2021

ICMS ASPIRING EDUCATION FOUNDATION EQUITY SCHOLARSHIP POSTGRADUATE APPLICATION FORM

September 2021

OUR PARTNERS INCLUDE:

Aspiring Education Foundation

Aspiring Education Foundation (AEF) is the International College of Management Sydney's commitment to helping Australia's students experiencing financial hardship to achieve their tertiary goals.

At ICMS there is an integrated college community of international and Australian students, which embraces all cultures and benefits from breadth and diversity. It is a key value of ICMS to enable students from all backgrounds to have an opportunity to study at tertiary level. By establishing the Aspiring Education Foundation, ICMS is able to provide equity scholarships for both tuition and accommodation, to help financially disadvantaged Australian students.

AEF Equity Scholarship

A number of Equity scholarships are available of varying values. These Equity Scholarships provide tuition fee waivers to a level decided by the AEF Committee in each case. The AEF Committee is also able to consider Accommodation/Living Costs scholarships for the eligible applicants of various values and duration.

The AEF Committee will manage the selection and allocation of funds. Tuition and/or accommodation/living cost funds are disbursed directly to ICMS on behalf of the recipient of the Equity Scholarship.

Value: **UP TO** $25,000*
Applications Due: 5pm on Friday 6 August 2021

How to Apply:

1. Ensure you meet the eligibility criteria found below
2. Complete your application and prepare your report supporting your application and other documentation if required
3. Apply online at www.icms.edu.au/scholarships OR mail it to AEF Scholarships, 151 Darley Road, Manly NSW 2095 by Friday 6 August 2021*.

** Value of Scholarships varies according to the course undertaken and may vary from the estimated value printed here, and from year to year.*

*** Close date may be subject to change for this scholarship only.*

Eligibility:

The eligibility requirements for the Aspiring Education Foundation Equity Scholarships are as follows:

1. Australian citizens or permanent residents.

2. Must be a full-time student and have successfully the approved pre-requisites for entry.

3. Can demonstrate financial hardship – A person is considered to be experiencing financial hardship when they are:

a) Receiving a Centrelink (or other Commonwealth) means tested income support payment

or

b) Expected to receive a Centrelink (or other Commonwealth) means-tested income support payment during 2021

or

c) Able to provide comprehensive information demonstrating exceptional hardship

Evidence of financial hardship – Equity Scholarship applicants can claim financial hardship under only one of the above categories of financial hardship. Applicants claiming financial hardship must provide one of the following types of evidence. The type of evidence you must provide relates directly to the category of financial hardship you're claiming:

a) Provision of your Centrelink Customer Reference Number (CRN) when completing the online application

or

b) No documentation is required to support eligibility if you expect to receive a means-tested payment. However, when you submit an equity scholarship application, you will be required to verify your receipt of an allowance to ICMS before the Scholarship is be taken up

or

c) Documentation provided to support eligibility for exceptional financial hardship must demonstrate a level of real enduring financial hardship.

4. Applicants under any of the above categories must prepare a one-page report in support of their application (refer to Report for details).

Meeting the scholarship eligibility criteria doesn't guarantee that you'll be awarded a scholarship. There are a limited number of Equity Scholarships and there are more applicants than scholarships. As part of a competitive application process, applicants are ranked against the eligibility criteria and the Aspiring Education Foundation Committee will award the Equity Scholarships to those who are judged by the committee to best meet the eligibility criteria.

If you're not successful, it doesn't mean you're not in need; rather, it means there are other applicants who've been assessed as being in greater need.

Report:

Please submit a one page report addressing the following points:

- Why do you believe you should be awarded an Equity Scholarship?
- Why ICMS?
- Why is your chosen course the best choice for you?
- Any other information you wish to include to support your application

Selection Process:

- AEF will award the Equity scholarships after considering the applications submitted as a part of a competitive application process.
- The application form (and allowed supplementary information) is designed to gather sufficient information from applicants to determine which applicants best meet the eligibility criteria.
- Equity scholarships applications will be assessed based on the information provided in the application and the supporting documentation.
- Students who meet the eligibility criteria will progress to the interview stage. The interview is conducted by the AEF Committee.
- The decision of the Aspiring Education Foundation Committee is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

Offer Material:

If your application for an Equity Scholarship is successful, you'll receive a scholarship offer with your letter of offer for a place in your course.

Your offer material will include details about the scholarship you've been awarded together with AEF's requirements for accepting the offer.

When you accept an Equity Scholarship offer, you must agree to provide any personal information requested by AEF to assess your ongoing eligibility for the Scholarship.

Your Equity Scholarship offer is made on the condition that you remain eligible to receive the Equity Scholarship on each census date during the currency of your Scholarship.

Deferment:

Deferment of an Equity Scholarship is not permitted prior to your course or during.

Students awarded an Equity Scholarship who defer the start of their studies or who withdraw from their course, will forfeit their Equity Scholarship. Students may re-apply for a scholarship if they start studies at ICMS at a later date.

Termination of an AEF Equity Scholarship:

If the Equity Scholarship you've been awarded is for longer than one year, it will be terminated if:

- You cease to meet the eligibility requirements for your Equity Scholarship
- The maximum duration of the Equity Scholarship has been reached (if applicable)
- You've failed to make satisfactory academic progress as defined by ICMS
- You've committed serious misconduct (e.g. provided false or misleading information)

NOTE: *Scholarship submissions will* ***not be returned****. Unsuccessful applications are not retained and will be securely destroyed.*

Terms & Conditions

1. Applicants must be an Australian Citizen or Permanent Resident.
2. The Scholarship recipient is required to sign this acceptance form and return to the ICMS Scholarship Board on or before enrolment.
3. International College of Management, Sydney (ICMS) Aspiring Education Foundation (AEF) Scholarships are not refundable and non-transferrable, meaning the scholarship cannot be converted to another program, education provider, or recipient nominated by the original recipient.
4. The recipient of the ICMS AEF Scholarship agrees to abide by all admissions criteria and rules and regulations prescribed by the ICMS whilst enrolled.
5. The recipient acknowledges and upholds the confidentiality of receiving the ICMS AEF Scholarship.
6. With respect to the sometimes sensitive nature of the AEF Equity Scholarship, this scholarship will not be announced at any event or ceremony.
7. Once the successful recipient has been notified of the scholarship value, that value is not negotiable and not changeable.
8. The recipient of the ICMS AEF Scholarship must commence the program in the September 21 study period.
9. The AEF Equity Scholarship offers a tuition wavier and/or accommodation/living costs credit.

   Accommodation/Living Costs Credit description:

   Rooms are equipped with a desk, wardrobe, heating and wireless internet. All linen is provided and rooms are dusted and vacuumed once a week. Each floor is equipped with a kitchenette, common showers, toilets and ironing facilities. You will also receive residential support from the residential assistants. Your accommodation/Living Costs credit includes the following:

   - Rent
   - 3 x Meals per day (Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner) – Monday to Friday
   - 2 x Meals per day (Brunch and Dinner) - Weekends
   - Electricity, Gas & Water
   - On site parking
   - Campus wide Wi-Fi
10. If the recipient of an ICMS AEF Scholarship fails a subject, he / she may be obliged to retake the subject at their cost; this decision will be at the discretion of the Chair of the AEF Scholarship Trust Fund.
11. ICMS provides support and assistance, through the Academic Learning Department and Wellness Department here at the college. It is expected that the student will be proactive in seeking these services as required in order to complete their studies to the best of their ability.
12. The ICMS AEF Scholarship offers a tuition waiver and accommodation that can only be used for the purpose and duration of attending ICMS for the program as specified. The balance of additional fees, including any uniforms, books and any other program related costs for each enrolling study period must be paid in full prior to study period commencement.
13. The ICMS AEF Scholarship is not able to be deferred.
14. The ICMS AEF Scholarship recipients must be 18 years of age within six months of commencing the ICMS Master Degree.
15. ICMS AEF Scholarships may be discontinued by the College, dependent upon termly review of academic standing, professional conduct, appropriate conduct and College and Community Contribution hours (if applicable).

ICMS AEF EQUITY SCHOLARSHIP
Postgraduate – September 2021

Key Information:

- Please note that if you are not an Australian Citizen/Permanent resident, you are not eligible to apply for an ICMS Aspiring Education Foundation Equity Scholarship. Visit www.icms.edu/scholarships for Postgraduate Innovation scholarships.
- Applications Close: 5pm Friday 6 August 2021
- Successful Applicants will progress to Panel Interview.

I Wish to Apply For: (POSTGRADUATE PROGRAM AND SPECIALISATION)

Commencing:

☐ September Year: _____

Personal Details:

First Name:		Surname:	
Address:			
Suburb:		State:	Postcode:
Telephone:		Mobile:	
Email:		Country of Birth:	
Country of Passport:		Date of Birth:	/ /

Please advise us of any medical/learning conditions that may affect your academic study or practical training, so we may provide support for you.

Parent, Legal Guardian or Sponsor: (FOR SECONDARY CONTACT)

Name:	Relationship to applicant:	
Address:		
Suburb:	State:	Postcode:
Telephone:	Mobile:	
Email		

Secondary Education Details: (HIGHEST LEVEL ACHIEVED)

School attended:	Career advisor:
Name of qualification:	Year completed:
ATAR (if applicable):	

Tertiary Education Details: (HIGHEST LEVEL ACHIEVED)

Institution attended:	
Name of qualification:	Year completed:

How Did You Find Out About The College?:

- ☐ College seminar
- ☐ Education agent
- ☐ Word of mouth
- ☐ Newspaper
- ☐ Careers advisor
- ☐ Education exhibition
- ☐ Internet
- ☐ Magazine
- ☐ College graduate
- ☐ UAC Guide
- ☐ Student currently at college
- ☐ Other (please specify)_____

Ensure You Have Attached The Following:

- ☐ Proof of citizenship (copy of passport or birth certificate)
- ☐ Certified copies of final education transcripts (HSC Record of Achievement)
- ☐ Demonstration of financial hardship or CRN Number below
- ☐ One page report demonstrating why you should be awarded an equity scholarship

Centrelink Customer Reference Number (CRN): _____

Declaration

I wish to be considered for the AEF Equity Scholarship to undertake a program of study at ICMS and declare that the information submitted is correct and complete. I consent to ICMS and/or the Aspiring Education Foundation representatives using my CRN and enquiring with Centrelink in order to access information related to myself. I understand that the AEF Committee reserves the right to vary or reverse any decision made on the basis of incorrect or incomplete information. I have read and understood the AEF Committee Terms and Conditions. I understand that the scholarship does not cover any allowance or teaching assistance to support my living costs and I have made appropriate arrangements to support myself during the period of my studies.

Signature of applicant:	
	Date: / /

Please submit your completed application to:

Email: icmsscholarships@icms.edu.au – Subject Line: AEF Committee