

1.0 Establishment and purpose

- 1.1 The Barker Maritime Scholarship was established in 2008, by the late Don Barker and the Barker family. This scholarship is intended to recognise, encourage, and offer financial support to employees associated with the maritime industry in Newcastle, to further their education at TAFE NSW.
- 1.2 The Barker Maritime Scholarship is funded by the Barker Family and is administered and managed by the Hunter TAFE Foundation.
- 1.3 A selection panel will be established comprising of representatives from TAFE NSW to recommend a recipient to the Barker family.
- 1.4 One (1) Barker Maritime Scholarship up to the value of \$10,000, will be awarded by the Hunter TAFE Foundation, and will be tenable for two (2) years.

2.0 Definitions

- 2.1 **“Applicant”** means an individual who applies for a Barker Maritime Scholarship, by completing and submitting an application in accordance with the application process.
- 2.2 **“Application”** means an application for a Barker Maritime Scholarship which must be completed by an applicant, in accordance with these terms and conditions and is available at tafensw.edu.au/scholarships.
- 2.3 **“Application process”** means the process set out in clause 3.0 of these terms and conditions, as amended or varied by the Hunter TAFE Foundation from time to time, in its sole discretion.
- 2.4 **“Barker Maritime Scholarship”** means a financial scholarship up to a maximum value of \$10,000 awarded by the Hunter TAFE Foundation, in accordance with these terms and conditions.
- 2.5 **“Eligible applicant”** means an applicant who meets the criteria for eligibility, for the awarding of a Barker Maritime Scholarship, as set out in clause 4.0 of these terms and conditions.
- 2.6 **“Scholarship letter of offer and acceptance”** means the process that must be completed by the successful applicant to accept the offer of the scholarship and is to be issued by the Hunter TAFE Foundation.
- 2.7 **“Scholarship recipient”** means the successful applicant who accepts the Barker Maritime Scholarship, by completing and returning a Barker Maritime Scholarship letter of offer and acceptance, in accordance with the process set out in clause 6.0 of these terms and conditions.
- 2.8 **“Selection panel”** means a panel comprising of representatives from TAFE NSW to recommend a recipient to the Barker family.
- 2.9 **“Successful applicant”** means an eligible applicant who is offered a Barker Maritime Scholarship by the Hunter TAFE Foundation, in accordance with the processes set out in clause 5.0 of these terms and conditions.

3.0 Application process

- 3.1 An applicant must complete the online application and submit for the Barker Maritime Scholarship by the required closing date and as detailed on the application.
- 3.2 The applicant must acknowledge and accept the Barker Maritime Scholarship terms and conditions, by completing and submitting their application.
- 3.3 Upon receipt of an application, the Hunter TAFE Foundation will complete an initial review of the application to ensure that all required information has been provided by the applicant.
- 3.4 Provided all aspects of an application are correctly completed by the applicant, the application will be referred to the selection panel for its assessment and determination.
- 3.5 The selection panel may, at its sole discretion, confer with the Hunter TAFE Foundation and/or TAFE NSW, to confirm the suitability of an Applicant.

4.0 Applicant eligibility for Award of Barker Maritime Scholarship

- 4.1 A Barker Maritime Scholarship may be awarded to an eligible applicant, who has completed and lodged an application, and who, as determined by the selection panel (in its sole discretion), satisfies all of the following criteria:
 - 4.1.1 Is committed to achieving their career goals and demonstrates aptitude for the industry.
 - 4.1.2 Has sought support from their employer before applying for the scholarship, and the employer has supplied a supporting statement for the applicant.
 - 4.1.3 Has the intention of completing a course of study at TAFE NSW that would assist in the advancement of their career within the maritime industry. For example, either a traditional maritime course, or a business, accounting, or work health and safety course.
 - 4.1.4 Is a resident of the Hunter region or Central Coast local government areas.
 - 4.1.5 Does not hold another scholarship for the same course, of equivalent or more substantial value.
- 4.2 Incomplete application forms will not be considered by the selection panel.
- 4.3 The Hunter TAFE Foundation is under no obligation to attempt to contact any applicant who incorrectly completes and/or submits an application, and will, at his or her discretion, contact an applicant on not more than two (2) occasions in an effort to obtain information which is missing, or has not been completed correctly, on an application form. Should all required information not be provided, the application will be withdrawn by the Hunter TAFE Foundation, and notice sent to the applicant.

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5.0 Offer and acceptance

- 5.1 The selection panel, in its sole discretion, will determine the successful applicant.
- 5.2 The successful applicant will be notified by telephone and email, and will be sent the scholarship letter of offer and acceptance.
- 5.3 Unsuccessful applicants will be notified by email. A successful applicant must complete and return the scholarship letter of offer and acceptance as soon as possible, and as a pre-condition to payment of the Barker Maritime Scholarship.
- 5.4 For the avoidance of doubt, a successful applicant acknowledges and agrees that the awarding of a Barker Maritime Scholarship is conditional upon signing the scholarship letter of offer and acceptance, and it returning to the Hunter TAFE Foundation.

6.0 Award and payment

- 6.1 Following the successful applicant's completion, and return, of the scholarship letter of offer and acceptance, the Barker Maritime Scholarship will be presented to the successful applicant.
- 6.2 The Barker Maritime Scholarship is tenable for up to two (2) years.
- 6.3 The Barker Maritime Scholarship will contribute to the cost of further study at TAFE NSW and associated professional development, which will be paid by the Hunter TAFE Foundation on behalf of the scholarship recipient.

7.0 Conditions of the scholarship

- 7.1 The scholarship recipient acknowledges and agrees that the following conditions apply to the award of the Barker Maritime Scholarship:
 - 7.1.1 The Hunter TAFE Foundation reserves the right to withdraw any unpaid monies, or request repayment of monies awarded, should the successful recipient withdraw from studies, or not successfully complete (or fail to meet) any of the requirements as outlined in these terms and conditions (as determined by the Hunter TAFE Foundation).
 - 7.1.2 On request by the Hunter TAFE Foundation, the scholarship recipient must provide an update on how the Barker Maritime Scholarship assisted them in their education at TAFE NSW and on their career journey.
 - 7.1.3 The scholarship recipient must agree to be available for promotional and marketing photography in line with TAFE NSW's Media Consent form.
 - 7.1.4 Any decision by the selection panel regarding an application is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
 - 7.1.5 The scholarship recipient is expected to be an ambassador for the Hunter TAFE Foundation, upholding the values of TAFE NSW, and behaving in accordance with the TAFE NSW Student Code of Conduct, at all times.

8.0 Variation

- 8.1 The Hunter TAFE Foundation may vary these terms and conditions, or any form or process referred to herein, at any time and without notice.

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