

East Sydney Doctors Scholarship 2026 Guidelines, Terms & Conditions

The East Sydney Doctors Scholarship is an opportunity generously funded by East Sydney Doctors. It provides **\$5,000** to a student completing the first year of the Master of Fine Art degree and going into the second year of the program at the National Art School. The recipient is intended to use the scholarship as a stipend to support living and study expenses in MFA2.

Key Dates

Applications Open: **Tuesday 7 October 2025.**

Applications Close: **Sunday 16 November 2025.**

Scholarship Announcement: **Wednesday 10 December 2025.**

Selection Criteria

The East Sydney Doctors Scholarship will be granted to an individual who would benefit from such funding to continue their progress in the Master of Fine Art program at the National Art School. Applicants must be able to demonstrate:

- An exceptional record of artistic achievement and dedication to their artistic practice.
- Genuine need for financial support.

Eligibility

- Applicants must be completing the first year of the MFA degree in 2025 and intending to continue into the second year of the course in 2026.
- Applicants must be an Australian citizen or permanent resident.
- Applicants must not be in receipt of any other National Art School Postgraduate Scholarships.

Applications

- Applicants must complete all aspects of the online application form and upload required support material.

Support Material

STATEMENT

All applicants must upload a statement of no more than 300 words detailing what they have achieved in the first year of the MFA and hope to accomplish throughout the second year of the MFA. Please also include a brief statement regarding financial need.

IMAGES

All applicants must upload a maximum of six images, with one image per slide, in PPT format. Each slide should include the name of artist, title, date, medium, and dimensions.

CV

All applicants must upload a CV of no more than two pages in PDF format.

The panel reserves the right to not assess applications that do not include specified supporting material correctly formatted as outlined above.

Conditions

- Applicants must submit a completed application that fulfils all eligibility requirements.
- Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.
- The successful candidate will need to complete the acquittals process.
- Allocation of the Scholarship will be on enrolment in the second year of the Master of Fine Art program.
- The Scholarship recipient will be required to complete the second year of the Master of Fine Art in 2026.
- Should the recipient be unable to complete the second year of the Master of Fine Art, they will be required to pay back any funds allocated.
- Each submission will be considered by a selection panel comprising of representatives from the National Art School.
- The panel may request to meet with an applicant to discuss their application further.

Acquittal of Scholarship

The successful applicant will be required to:

- Take part in a Scholarships and Awards panel discussion at the National Art School in 2026. The successful applicant may be asked to be part of a 15-20 minute formal presentation about the use of the Scholarship.
- Provide high-resolution photographs and a 200-word statement that can be used by NAS for promotional purposes and in publications including the Annual Report and Yearbook.

Please email scholarships@nas.edu.au, for any inquiries regarding the application process.