UCL (Australia)
BHP Billiton Scholarship Regulations – PhD

1. UCL (Australia) will award up to A$1.935m of scholarships to the most outstanding students to study a PhD (research) in the fields of minerals, energy and natural resources. These scholarships are intended to support students pursuing postgraduate studies in energy and resources at either the UCL School of Energy and Resources, Australia, the UCL International Energy Policy Institute (IEPI) or the Mullard Space Science Laboratory (MSSL Australia).

2. UCL prides itself on being a research-led, innovative organisation which attracts students who are committed, in equal measure, to social, commercial and sustainable behaviours and practices. UCL aims to produce graduates whose values include being:
   a. critical and creative thinkers;
   b. ambitious – but also idealistic and committed to ethical behaviour;
   c. aware of the intellectual and social value of cultural difference;
   d. entrepreneurs with the ability to innovate;
   e. willing to assume leadership roles: in the workplace, the community and the family; and
   f. highly employable and ready to embrace professional mobility.

3. Scholarships will be available for each academic year until 2016.

4. The scholarship programme is open to students who have accepted an offer of admission (conditional or unconditional) to study full-time in the PhD programme at UCL (Australia).

5. For the PhD, applicants who meet the criteria for admission, will be ranked on:
   a. academic performance;
   b. proposed research project and relevance to the School, IEPI or MSSL research interests;
   c. a personal statement outlining their interest in the proposed topic as well as any experience;
   d. interview (where candidates will be asked to demonstrate their knowledge and capacity to undertake research in their chosen field); and
   e. academic references.

6. Scholarships will be awarded by the Chair, UCL (Australia) Departmental Research Committee, on the recommendation of a selection panel made up of UCL (Australia) academics. If there are not sufficient suitable applications, scholarships may not be awarded and may be re-allocated and awarded during later intakes. The Scholarship cannot be deferred.

7. The PhD scholarship will cover tuition fees at UCL (Australia). In addition a stipend for living expenses of up to A$25,392¹ payable in each year of the programme for the period of

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¹ Indexed to match the Australian Government's Australia Postgraduate Awards (APA) as at 1 October 2014.
enrolment. The scholarship is tenable for four years (full-time) subject to continued satisfactory academic progress.²

8. The scholarship may be held alongside other scholarships, studentships, awards or bursaries however recipients of the scholarship may not undertake additional full-time university studies alongside the programme at UCL (Australia).

9. Recipients will be required to undertake full-time study and be resident in Adelaide for the entire duration of the programme.

10. Recipients may be required to submit to UCL a letter of gratitude to the donor. The letter should include comment on the impact of the scholarship on the recipient’s education and how the award has benefited them. It should also include details of proposed career plans and any career developments. The donor may request the opportunity to meet the recipient of the scholarship.

11. Recipients may be required to participate in some promotional activities related to the BHP Billiton scholarship programme.

12. Withdrawal or termination of award. The scholarship will terminate if: the recipient withdraws from the programme; the recipient does not conform to the regulations of the scholarship; the recipient does not conform to UCL’s Policies and Procedures; or, the recipient fails to make satisfactory academic progress.

Requests for extensions to the period of study or temporary suspension of the Scholarship must be made in writing for review by UCL on a case-by-case basis.

13. All scholarships and awards are subject to review and to the provisions of UCL’s General Regulations for Scholarships, Awards, Bursaries, Prizes and Medals.

² Continued enrolment on the BHP Billiton Scholarship for PhD will be conditional on successfully completing the MPhil programme and annual reviews.