

Curtin Office of IP Commercialisation

Ignition Scholarships 2017 - Background and Eligibility

The Office of IP Commercialisation provides a gateway to Curtin University for industry and investors with an interest in innovative new technologies, products and services. The office also provides staff and students with advice and support on all aspects of commercialising intellectual property. This includes:

- Advice on Intellectual property rights,
- Guidance on obtaining patent protection,
- Business planning,
- Industry partnerships,
- Identifying pre-seed and other funding opportunities.

The Office of IP Commercialisation is sponsoring up to 10 Curtin students or staff members to attend the Ignition Program in 2017.

Please note that the total number of scholarships will be a maximum of 10 but could be less depending on the quality of the applications received. The awarding of all scholarships is at the discretion of the selection panel and based on the written information provided in the application form. The selection panel's decision is final.

Ignition is an intensive 5½-day education program for aspiring entrepreneurs, academics and corporate innovators to trial and prepare their business ideas for the commercial environment.

Ignition is open to anyone with a business idea, research project or early stage business venture that could become a high growth business. Application from new and aspiring entrepreneurs with limited experience of starting a business are encouraged to apply. Passion and ambition to take ideas forward and 'make it happen' are highly important attributes for success at Ignition.

Applicants must be prepared to commit one full week of their time to an intensive and results-focused program. Fluency in spoken and written English is essential.

Scholarship Applications are judged on their individual merit based on the following eligibility criteria:

- The applicant is currently a Curtin student or staff member,
- The novelty of your business/idea/innovation,
- The market potential and uniqueness of your proposal.

The total cost of a place on the Curtin Ignition Program is \$2,850. The scholarship offered by Curtin's Office of IP Commercialisation will cover a total of \$2,800. The scholarship winner will be required to pay the remaining \$50 upon acceptance of the scholarship. If the scholarship winner withdraws from the Program and a replacement is awarded, the \$50 payment will be refunded.

Apply online at: www.ignition.curtin.edu.au; students, please state your student number and course and Staff please state your staff number and staff position. Closing date is July 7th 2017. Terms and conditions apply.