

TUCKWELL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Tuckwell Alumni Plan 2024–2029



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2022 Tuckwell Alumni Reception, Kambri. Photo credit. Kelly Chen

Tuckwell Scholarship Program

ANU PURPOSE

To serve society through transformational research and education.

TUCKWELL SCHOLARSHIP VISION

To see highly talented and motivated school leavers fulfil their potential and reinvest their knowledge, skills and experience in ways that contribute to their community, Australia, and beyond.

TUCKWELL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM PURPOSE

To support each Scholar to achieve their potential, to pursue the very best ANU has to offer, and to remain connected to the Scholarship as a member of our global Alumni network.

TUCKWELL SCHOLARSHIP VALUES

Excellence. Commitment. Giving back.

No Ordinary Alumni

From the Director



The Tuckwell Alumni Program is the result of an extraordinary act of philanthropy and vision and the unique collaboration between ANU and Dr Graham Tuckwell AO, and Dr Louise Tuckwell AO.

Since 2014, the Tuckwell Scholarship Program has provided over 250 school-leavers with the opportunity to attend ANU and fulfil their potential by actively participating in the very best that ANU has to offer. We are now nearing 150 Tuckwell Scholarship Alumni living, studying and working all around the world.

Tuckwell Alumni form a community for life. Wherever they are, whatever they are doing, our Alumni Scholars are part of the Tuckwell network. As the Tuckwell Scholarship enters its second decade, and the Tuckwell Alumni community approaches critical mass, the opportunities that that network provides only grow. We look forward to many decades of conversation, collegiality, and connection between Tuckwell Scholars and Tuckwell Alumni from and in all walks of life.

The Tuckwell Alumni community is supported by the Tuckwell Alumni Committee and by the Head of Scholars House, Program Director, and the full Scholars House team. The Tuckwell Alumni Committee's initiative and passion have led to the development of this plan, as well as Graham and Louise's vision for an engaged Alumni community which will become a valuable network for all Tuckwell Scholars and Alumni.

As graduates of The Australian National University (ANU), Tuckwell Scholars are also lifelong members of the ANU alumni community. They are connected by a global network of more than 100,000 ANU alumni, located around the world, learning, discovering, leading, innovating, changing lives and making history. Tuckwell Alumni are strongly encouraged to engage with the broader ANU alumni community around the world.

Whether our Alumni's interests are in building a career, connecting with fellow Tuckwell Alumni, or opportunities to give back, the Tuckwell Alumni Program offers plenty of benefits.

Dr Fiona Scotney

Director
Tuckwell Scholarship Program

Tuckwell Alumni Program

Program Value Proposition

The Alumni program is a mutually beneficial relationship that supports Tuckwell Alumni, Scholarship recipients, and the University, enhancing the reputation and sustainability of the Program.

The value for Alumni

Alumni will:

- Engage in a thriving community and international professional network
- Access knowledge and expertise within the University and Tuckwell community
- Opportunity to contribute and give back to the Program and the University
- Receive support through networking and professional development opportunities
- Experience as mentors, ambassadors and role models within the community

The value to the Tuckwell program

The program will:

- Build a strong Tuckwell community to enhance reputation of the Program
- Access a range of skills, knowledge, experience, and resources to support the Program
- Amplify the Program's impact/ return on investment
- Promote ambassadors who represent the Program and attract future Scholars

Tuckwell Alumni Program Goals

The goal of the Alumni program is a mutually beneficial relationship that supports Tuckwell Alumni, Scholarship recipients, and the University, enhancing the reputation and sustainability of the Program.

Connect	Contribute	Celebrate	Consolidate
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Foster a strong, enduring network among Tuckwell alumni, promoting a deep sense of mutual support and interconnectedness while strengthening the connection between alumni and current scholars.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Empower Tuckwell alumni to actively support the advancement of the Tuckwell Scholarship Program, encouraging engagement, generosity, and support through various avenues.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Promote the accomplishments and societal impacts of Tuckwell Alumni, highlighting the value of the Scholarship, and inspiring both current and future Scholars	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strengthen the Tuckwell Alumni program, ensuring effective communication, engagement, and growth while aligning with the broader alumni efforts of the University

Tuckwell Alumni Program Timeline

2024-2029 (the next five years)

1. Alumni Engagement and Community Building

- Double active Alumni engagement: Increase from 135 to approximately 320 actively engaged alumni by 2029.
- Specialised interest groups: Establish at least 2 interest groups and evaluate their effectiveness.
- Networking events: Host annual networking receptions, 10-year reunion events for each cohort, and pilot interstate events in populous areas (e.g. Melbourne and Sydney)
- International engagement: Pilot an event in Oxford UK and establish plans for other international locations as the Alumni communities reach critical mass.

2. Alumni Database and Communication Improvements

- Comprehensive and current Alumni records: Achieve 98% accuracy in alumni records through comprehensive audits, improvements to database, and outreach campaigns.
- Automated update system: Implement a system allowing alumni to update their personal details online.
- Communication strategy: Develop and execute a targeted communication strategy, revitalising social media platforms and publishing The Quarter Bell newsletter.

3. Contribution and Volunteerism

- Mentorship program: in 2024 establish a mentorship program where alumni guide final year Scholars
- Alumni involvement: Revitalise the Alumni Committee with clear vision, defined roles and responsibilities, and incentives for participation.
- Enhance alumni influence on program direction including participation on Scholarship Program Interview/selection
- Financial Contributions: Establish a platform and guidelines for alumni donations.

4. Celebrations and Recognition

- Promote Alumni achievements: Regularly share alumni profiles and success stories through internal and external channels.
- Annual Award/s: Introduce recognition and an annual award/s to honour significant alumni contributions.

5. Best Practices, System Integration and Continuous Improvement

- Build strong relationships with ANU central and college alumni offices, ensuring alignment and participation in relevant events.
- Online Networking Platform: Research, pilot, and launch an online platform for alumni networking, connecting scholars and alumni independently of the Tuckwell team.

2029-2034 (five to 10 years) Summary

1. Establish Regional Alumni Chapters: Create regional hubs in major cities worldwide to facilitate local events and networking opportunities, enhancing community connections and support.
2. Alumni-Led Initiatives: Launch programs where alumni can propose and lead their own initiatives, such as community service projects, innovation labs, or professional development workshops.
3. Alumni Ambassadors Program: Implement a program where alumni serve as official ambassadors to promote the Tuckwell Scholarship Program at high schools, universities, and professional events.
4. Alumni Entrepreneurship Fund: Potentially establish a fund to support alumni startups and entrepreneurial ventures through grants, mentorship, and networking opportunities.
5. Strategic Evaluation and Longitudinal Study: Conduct a comprehensive longitudinal study to assess the long-term impact of the Tuckwell Scholarship on alumni careers, contributions to society, and program effectiveness. Regularly evaluate and refine the Alumni Program based on these findings to ensure it meets evolving needs and maximizes its impact.
6. Legal entity: Aim to establish the Alumni Committee as a stand-alone legal entity by 2034.

Annual Alumni Milestone Events

February	Commencement and graduation pin ceremony
March	Quarter Bell newsletter Senior Tuckwell Symposium
May	Tuckwell Networks Event Final year Scholar / Alumni Mentoring Program
June	Quarter Bell newsletter
August	Alumni Networking reception
September	Quarter Bell newsletter
October	Online 10-year reunion (starting with 2014 cohort in 2024)
November	Online network event
December	Graduation pancakes Quarter Bell newsletter

Variable Program Events

- Interstate networking event/s
- International networking event/s
- Alumni breakfast
- Mentoring program

Tuckwell Alumni Communication Channels

The Quarter Bell – a subscription-based quarterly newsletter for Tuckwell Alumni which features news about the Tuckwell Scholarship Program, profiles Alumni, promotes events and activities, and links them to other Tuckwell publications and news channels.

Email tuckwell@anu.edu.au to subscribe.

LinkedIn – there is a [Tuckwell Scholarship](#) LinkedIn page, and a [Tuckwell Alumni](#) private group for staying connected, networking, and sharing events and opportunities.

Facebook – there is a [Tuckwell Scholarship](#) Facebook page, and a [Tuckwell Alumni](#) private group for staying connected, networking, and sharing events and opportunities.



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