The Salvatore Vitale Scholarship

(The scholarship was established in 2009 and is to be maintained by the income from a bequest from the late Salvatore Vitale.)

1. Definitions

In these rules -

north Queensland means -

- (a) the city of Townsville, Queensland; or
- (b) any town or city that lies north of Townsville and is within the state of Queensland. **scholarship** means a Salvatore Vitale Scholarship.

2. Purpose

The purpose of the scholarship is to assist meritorious students who completed year 12 at a secondary school in north Queensland and who can demonstrate that they provided service to their local community while attending senior secondary school, to undertake an undergraduate program at the university.

3. Value of scholarship

The value of the scholarship for a year is approximately equal to the annual income from the scholarship fund. Note See Senate Rule - Financial Awards, rule ii.

4. Award of scholarship

- (1) The Senate may award 1 scholarship in a year, on the recommendation of the Academic Registrar.
- (2) However, if the Senate awards a scholarship to a person (the *earlier recipient*) in a year, the Senate may award the scholarship to another person in a later year only if the earlier recipient no longer holds the scholarship.

5. Eligibility for award

An applicant is eligible for the award of a scholarship in a year, if-

- (a) in the year immediately before, the applicant completed year 12 at a secondary school in north Queensland: and
- the applicant submits an application for the scholarship to the Academic Registrar, by the closing date for applications; and
- (c) the applicant is enrolled full-time in first year courses for an undergraduate program; and
- (d) the applicant can demonstrate that they provided service to their local community while attending senior secondary school.

6. Selection process

- (1) The Academic Registrar must rank the eligible applicants consecutively in order of merit, based on, for each applicant-
 - (a) the standard of the applicant's academic achievement in secondary school; and
 - (b) the service that the applicant has given to their local community during senior secondary school; and
 - (c) any other matter that the Academic Registrar considers to be relevant to the applicant's future professional success.
- (2) If the selection committee is satisfied that at least 1 eligible applicant is of sufficient merit to warrant the award of the scholarship, the Academic Registrar must recommend that the scholarship be awarded to the applicant with the highest ranking.

7. Conditions for scholarship

- (1) The recipient of a scholarship holds the scholarship for the minimum completion time, subject to the recipient, during that time-
 - (a) continuing to be enrolled full-time in an undergraduate program; and
 - (b) passing all courses in each semester of study that the recipient undertakes.
- (2) A recipient who fails to satisfy subrule (1) must show cause why the scholarship should not be cancelled, by the date by which the Academic Registrar requests the recipient to do so.
- (3) In this rule
 - **minimum completion time**, means the minimum period of time it would take a student to complete the remainder of the program in which the recipient is enrolled when the recipient is awarded the scholarship.