Journalism Scholarship for Indigenous Engagement

(This Scholarship was established by the School of Communication and Arts through the support of Mr Bruce Woolley to provide opportunities for Australians from underrepresented groups to pursue academic and professional careers in Journalism, particularly focused on Indigenous issues.)

1. **Purpose**

To support an undergraduate student seeking to undertake an academic career in Journalism with a demonstrated interest in issues facing Indigenous communities, particularly those issues related to social justice, human rights, reconciliation, and disadvantage.

2. **Definitions**

In these rules –

- **Approved Program** means the Bachelor of Journalism or Bachelor of Journalism (Honours) program, or the Bachelor of Arts program or a dual program that includes the Bachelor of Journalism or Bachelor of Journalism (Honours) or the Bachelor of Arts.
- **Relevant Field** means a major or extended major in Journalism and Mass Communication in the Bachelor of Arts.
- **Head** means the Head of School of Communication and Arts.
- **Associate Dean (Academic)** means the Associate Dean (Academic) of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.
- **Scholarship** means the Journalism Scholarship for Indigenous Engagement.

3. **Value and award of the scholarship**

(1) The value of the Scholarship is $5,000 per year;
(2) The Senate may award one Scholarship in a year, as tenure becomes vacant.

4. **Eligibility for award**

An applicant is eligible for the Scholarship if the applicant –

(a) applies for the Scholarship to the Associate Dean (Academic) by the closing date for application; and
(b) at the time of application is enrolled full-time in an Approved Program and where relevant, a Relevant Field at UQ; and
(c) does not hold another scholarship that the Associate Dean (Academic) considers to be similar; and
(d) has not previously held the Scholarship.

5. **Selection of award**

(1) For the selection process the Associate Dean (Academic) must establish a selection committee, comprising –

(a) the Associate Dean (Academic) or nominee, as Chair; and
(b) the Head of School of Communication and Arts (or nominee); and
(c) the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Engagement) (or nominee); and
(d) one academic teaching Journalism appointed by the Head.

(2) The Scholarship is awarded to the applicant showing greatest merit as demonstrated by –

(a) academic achievement and potential for scholastic success; and
(b) active engagement and participation in Indigenous communities and organisations and that support Indigenous groups and causes; and
(c) stated career goals aligning with Journalism or related fields.

(3) The selection committee will give preference to applicants who are Indigenous Australian, or who are from regional or remote areas.

6. **Conditions for scholarship**

(1) The recipient of the Scholarship may hold the Scholarship for up to three years, subject to the recipient –

(a) continuing to be enrolled full-time in an Approved Program; and
(b) achieving a passing grade or higher in all courses in which they are enrolled; and
(c) conducting themselves in a professional and ethical manner while undertaking their studies; and
(d) not holding another scholarship that the Associate Dean (Academic) considers to be similar.

(2) If the recipient fails to satisfy 6(1), the recipient must show cause to the Associate Dean (Academic) why the Scholarship should not be cancelled.