The Alumni Advantage Scholarship in Computer Science

The Scholarship was established in 2014 by the School of Information of Technology and Electrical Engineering.

1. **Purpose**
The Scholarship is to encourage and support students undertaking the Bachelor of Computer Science program from an "under-represented" cohort – this means that the student will be a student facing financial disadvantage; and/or a female student; and/or Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander student.

2. **Definitions**
In these rules-
- **Approved Program** means the Bachelor of Computer Science including any dual program
- **Head** means the Head of School, School of Information Technology and Electrical Engineering
- **Scholarship** means the Alumni Advantage Scholarship in Computer Science.

3. **Award and value of Scholarship**
(1) The Head will determine the number of Scholarships to be awarded each year.
(2) The value of each Scholarship is $3,000.

4. **Eligibility for award**
An applicant is eligible for the Scholarship, if the applicant -
(a) submits an application to the Head, by the closing date for applications;
(b) intends to enrol or is enrolled full-time in the Approved Program, in the year of award; and
(c) is a domestic student in accordance with the University’s Student Fees Policy;
(d) is considered by the School to be from an “under-represented” cohort – this means that the student will be either a student facing financial disadvantage; and/or a female student; and/or Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person; and
(e) does not hold a scholarship that the Head considers to be similar.

5. **Selection of award**
(1) For the selection process, the Head must establish a selection committee, comprising –
(a) the Head, or nominee, as chair of the committee;
(b) at least one academic staff member who is currently teaching in an Approved Program; and
(2) The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of the following criteria –
(a) academic achievement; and
(b) only if relevant to the application providing documentary evidence of financial circumstances;
(c) interpersonal qualities, including leadership potential;
(d) evidence of active involvement in the community; and
(e) any other matter that the selection committee considers to be relevant to the applicant’s future success in the profession.
(3) The selection committee may interview shortlisted applicants.

6. **Conditions for Scholarship**
(1) The recipient may hold the Scholarship for one year, subject to the recipient –
(a) continuing to be enrolled full-time in Approved Program;
(b) passing all courses in which they are enrolled;
(c) achieving a GPA of at least 4.5 in the first semester of study of the award; and
(d) not holding another scholarship that the Head considers similar.
(2) If a recipient fails to satisfy rule 6(1), the recipient must show cause to the Head why the Scholarship should not be cancelled.
(3) The Scholarship may not be deferred or interrupted.

7. **Termination of Scholarship**
The University may terminate a Scholarship -
(a) if the recipient does not show cause to the reasonable satisfaction of the Head as provided in rule 6(2);
(b) if the recipient defers or interrupts their study;
(c) once maximum duration of the Scholarship has lapsed;
(d) or if the student commits serious misconduct.