



## Clare Atkinson Memorial Scholarship

(The scholarship was established in 2017 and maintained by gifts from many donors in memory of the dearly missed Clare Atkinson.)

### 1. Purpose

The purpose of the scholarship is to support journalism students taking a series of internships with major media organisations. The funding provided by the scholarship will offset the opportunity cost of the student undertaking the internships by providing living assistance during this time.

### 2. Definitions

In these rules –

**Approved Program** means an undergraduate Journalism program including dual degree

**Associate Dean** means the Associate Dean (Academic), Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

**Scholarship** means the Clare Atkinson Memorial Scholarship

### 3. Award and Value of Scholarship

- (a) The Senate may award one scholarship in a year on the recommendation of the Associate Dean.
- (b) The value of the Scholarship is \$5,000.

### 4. Eligibility for Award

An applicant is eligible for the Scholarship, if the applicant –

- (a) submits an application to the Associate Dean by the closing date for applications; and
- (b) has completed the first year of an Approved Program; and
- (c) holds a GPA of at least 4.5; and
- (d) is enrolled full-time in Approved Program; and
- (e) does not hold another scholarship that the Associate Dean considers to be similar; and
- (f) has not previously received the Scholarship.

### 5. Selection of Award

- (1) For the selection process, the Associate Dean must establish a selection committee comprising:
  - (a) the Associate Dean, or nominee, as chair of the committee; and
  - (b) one representative from the donor group; and
  - (c) at least one member of the University's academic staff who is currently teaching in the relevant field, with UQ staff comprising the majority.
- (2) The Scholarship is awarded to the applicant showing greatest merit as demonstrated by –
  - (a) academic achievement; and
  - (b) personal qualities, including leadership potential; and
  - (c) any other matter that the selection committee considers to be relevant to the applicants future success in the journalism profession.
- (3) The selection committee may decide to interview short-listed applicants.

### 6. Conditions for Scholarship

- (a) The Scholarship is tenable for the duration of the recipients' internship(s) and will be paid upfront in one instalment once the recipient has provided evidence of being accepted for the internship(s).
- (b) The Scholarship holder must, within 3 months of completing the internship, submit a written report of approximately 1,000 words on their internship experience and the benefits derived from the holding of the Scholarship. In addition, the Associate Dean may require the Scholarship holder to deliver a lecture or seminar.

### 7. Deferment

The recipient may apply to the Associate Dean to have their Scholarship deferred for up to one year in exceptional circumstances.