THE RICHARD COOPER SCHOLARSHIP

(Established in 2006 and maintained by an endowment from the TC Beirne School of Law.)

1. **Purpose**
The purpose of the Scholarship is to provide financial assistance with living expenses for one year to students enrolled in an Approved Program.

2. **Definitions**
   In these rules –
   - **Approved Program** means the Master of Laws (LLM) or equivalent program, or a Higher Degree by Research (HDR)
   - **Relevant Field** means maritime law, administrative law, trade practices, or native title
   - **Head** means Head, School of Law
   - **Scholarship** means the Richard Cooper Scholarship

3. **Award and value of the Scholarship**
   (1) The Senate may award one Scholarship each year on the recommendation of the Head.
   (2) The value of the Scholarship will be determined annually, but may not exceed $10,000 in any one year.

4. **Eligibility**
   An applicant is eligible for the Scholarship in a year, if the applicant –
   (1) is a domestic student in accordance with The University’s Fee Policy; and
   (2) (i) is enrolled or enrolling full-time in the LLM or equivalent program in the year the Scholarship is to be awarded; or
       (ii) is enrolled or enrolling full-time in a HDR in a Relevant Field in the year the Scholarship is to be awarded.
   (3) has submitted an application form to the School of Law by the closing date determined by the Head.

5. **Selection of Award**
   (1) For the selection process, the Head must establish a selection committee comprising –
       (a) Head, School of Law, or nominee; and
       (b) one member of the legal profession; and
       (c) at least one other person from either the School of Law or the legal profession with University staff comprising the majority.
   (2) The Scholarship is awarded to the applicant showing greatest merit as demonstrated by –
       (a) academic achievements; and
       (b) demonstrated financial need; and
       (c) demonstrated interest in the study of law.

6. **Conditions of the Scholarship**
   (1) The Scholarship may be deferred only with the approval of the Head, School of Law.
   (2) The Head may approve payment of the Scholarship in either one or two instalments.