Background –

A. These scholarships were established in 2003 and were made available due to the generosity of members of the South Australian Legal Fraternity and the proceeds of the Portrait of John Bray and Dame Roma Glimpses of a Glorious Life Volumes ('donors').

B. The Dame Roma Mitchell Scholarship was set up to assist and encourage law students wishing to undertake a human rights internship as arranged by the University of Adelaide Law School’s Human Rights Internship Program (HRIP). The scholarship perpetuates the name of Dame Roma Mitchell (1913-2000) who was Australia’s foremost female legal pioneer and one of Australia’s first champions of human rights.

C. Dame Roma was an outstanding scholar of law at the University of Adelaide Law School, where she later lectured in the area of Family Law, and she was admitted to practice law as a barrister and solicitor in 1934. Dame Roma’s achievements include being appointed the first female Queen’s Counsel in Australia in 1962, the first female Supreme Court judge in 1965, the first female Chancellor of an Australian university in 1983 and Australia’s first female State Governor in 1991. In 1981 she became the founding chair of the Commonwealth’s Human Rights Commission. Dame Roma was made a Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire in 1982 and a Companion in the order of Australia in 1991 for her services to the community and was awarded the Commander of the Royal Victoria Order.

D. The J J Bray Scholarship was set up to assist and encourage law students wishing to experience international law studies. The scholarship perpetuates the name of Dr. John Jefferson Bray.

E. Dr. Bray was born in 1912. He was educated at St. Peters College before completing his law studies at The University of Adelaide Law School. In 1937 he was awarded by the University of Adelaide the LL.D. (by thesis). Dr. Bray was Chief Justice of South Australia from 1967 until 1978 and Chancellor of the University of Adelaide from 1968 to 1983. In 1979 he was made a Companion of the Order of Australia. As well as being respected throughout the common-law world as a learned reformer and jurist Dr. Bray was a respected and widely published poet. He died in 1995, aged 82.

F. The University accepted the donations upon the trusts specified by the donors and the donations therefore became the capital subject to those trusts ('capital sum').
Name of the fund

1. The capital sum, all income arising from the capital sum and any accumulations and additions thereto together form a fund called the ‘The J.J Bray and Dame Roma Mitchell Scholarships’ (‘fund’).

Investment of the fund

2. The fund is to be amalgamated for the purposes of investment, and held in a common fund, and the net income earned by the common fund shall be credited, rateably, to the funds so amalgamated and thereafter distributed according to the trusts specified by the donors.

Obligations

3. In administering the fund, the University must adhere to the terms specified and is obliged:-
   
   (a) to invest the capital sum according to the directions of the donors; and
   
   (b) to establish scholarships in the manner described in the following Rules.

The J J Bray Scholarship

Rules

This is a scholarship to assist a student enrolled in the Bachelor of Laws at the University of Adelaide, to participate in a recognised University of Adelaide Exchange program.

The J.J. Bray Scholarship is administered according to the following rules:-

1. The scholarship will provide $3,000 per annum to assist a student enrolled in the Bachelor of Laws at the University of Adelaide, to participate in a recognised University of Adelaide Exchange program.

Eligibility

2. Applicants must:
   
   (i) be Australian citizens or permanent residents of Australia.
   
   (ii) be accepted for one or two semesters to one of the University of Adelaide’s official exchange programs.
   
   (iii) be enrolled full-time in an undergraduate law degree at the University of Adelaide.
   
   (iv) be able to demonstrate financial need.
Conditions

3. The award of the scholarship is subject to acceptance into an Exchange Program at the University of Adelaide and commencement of this Exchange within 12 months of approval.
4. Recipients will be required to produce evidence of their financial status at the time of application e.g. proof of receipt of Youth Allowance/Austudy/Abstudy before the scholarship can be confirmed.
5. Acceptance of the scholarship cannot be deferred. If you defer the planned study, the scholarship will be offered to the next eligible student.
6. You must notify the Law School in writing if you:
   7. discontinue your studies.
   8. cease to study or cease to be enrolled.
   9. change your course of study.
   10. change your address.
   11. These rules may be varied from time to time by agreement between the donors and the University.

Selection

12. The scholarships will be awarded on the basis of financial need and academic merit.
13. The recipient will be as determined by The Dean of the Law School.
14. Where there are two candidates of equal merit, the scholarship shall be shared equally.

The Dame Roma Mitchell Scholarship

Rules

This is a scholarship to assist and encourage law students wishing to undertake a human rights internship as arranged by the University of Adelaide Law School’s Human Rights Internship Program (HRIP).

The Dame Roma Mitchell Scholarship is administered according to the following rules:-

1. The Scholarship will provide $3,000 per annum to assist students enrolled in the Ordinary or Honours degree of Bachelor of Laws at the University of Adelaide, to undertake a human rights internship as arranged by the University of Adelaide Law School’s Human Rights Internship Program (HRIP).

Eligibility

2. Applicants must:-
   (i) be Australian citizens or permanent residents of Australia
   (ii) be enrolled full-time in an undergraduate law degree at the University of Adelaide.
(iii) be studying or completed studying a course on international law or human rights law offered as part of the undergraduate law degree at the University of Adelaide.

(iv) be able to demonstrate financial need.

Conditions

3. The award of the scholarship is subject to the student taking out travel and health insurance to cover the entire period of the internship and associated travel.

4. Recipients will be required to produce evidence of their financial status at the time of application eg proof of receipt of Youth Allowance/Austudy/Abstudy before the scholarship can be confirmed.

5. The recipient must undertake the internship as arranged by the HRIP and produce a written report at its termination to be handed up to the Director of HRIP.

6. These rules may be varied from time to time by agreement between the donors and the University.

Selection

7. The scholarships will be awarded on the basis of financial need, academic merit and an application setting out applicant’s community involvement.

8. The recipient will be as determined by the Dean of the Law School in conjunction with the Director of HRIP.

9. Where there are two candidates of equal merit, the scholarship shall be shared equally.