UTR2.22 - THE J E JENKINS SCHOLARSHIPS

Background –

A. John Evan Jenkins (‘donor’) died on 21 September 1942 and under the terms of his Will dated 3 June 1941 bequeathed a pecuniary legacy of £5,000 to the University of Adelaide (‘bequest’) to be administered in the following manner:

‘….to the UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE for the purpose of founding one or two scholarships as the Council of the University shall decide And I express a desire but without creating any binding trust either on my trustees or on the University that the Council of the University shall as far as practicable at the relevant time or times in founding and awarding the said scholarship or scholarships have due regard to my wishes and the objectives I have in mind as set out and expressed in Memorandum dated 3rd June 1941 attached to this my Will and addressed to the Council of the University of Adelaide.

To THE COUNCIL
UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE
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Having made a Will I have bequeathed a sum of money to the University of Adelaide for the purpose of founding one or two scholarships and I intend this Memorandum to be in the nature of an expression of my wishes and a guide to the Council as to the manner in which the bequest is to be applied. Nevertheless without creating any binding trust on the Council and believing that it will as far as is practicable at the relevant time or times strive faithfully to carry out my wishes set below.

Believing that the trained and disciplined mind and a keener sense of social responsibilities will be increasingly required for society’s welfare and that the University ideal of a college education is one of the most practicable ways of attaining this aim I have set aside the sum of approximately Five thousand pounds (£5,000) in my Will for the purpose of founding one or two scholarships as the University may decide and I desire that this sum shall be divided into two equal parts the first of such parts to be used to provide by the income thereof for a scholarship for a man student one condition of which shall be that he shall reside at a residential University college and as regards the second part thereof that it shall be used either:

1. For the purpose of providing by the income thereof for a scholarship for a woman student one condition of which shall be that she shall reside at a residential University college or –

2. For the purpose of the completion of the embryonic University Women’s College in Adelaide or added to the fund already in existence so that the inauguration of that institution may be hastened.

Further believing that the keen intellect and sympathetic social outlook are stimulated by intimate contact with Nature it would be preferable that as a preparation for University training the intending male scholars shall have either come from the country or have spent at least twelve months continuously there or have served actively for a like period with any of His Majesty’s Military Services. And not only because research is still needed in many primary industries domestic sciences and social sciences but also because
the results of research need to be more fully disseminated, I desire these scholarships confined to those who desire to increase their knowledge in the agricultural domestic or social sciences the benefit of which I hope will be to the mutual advantage of both the metropolitan and rural sections of the community.

Likewise if the Council establishes a scholarship for women the holder also should be imbued with a sense of responsibility and a genuine desire to cherish and improve the ways of democratic society. She should choose a course of study relevant to the above three branches of knowledge or one of them at least.

The recipient of each scholarship shall spend at least one year in residence at a University College or hostel while attending a course of University lectures. It would be preferable that the recipient should spend a longer period in residence and to that end the scholarship may be tenable for the entire duration of undergraduate’s course of lectures so that if the holder so desires he or she may spend his or her full undergraduate life in residence at college. This will be a matter of mutual arrangement between the recipient and the Council but it must be borne in mind that at least one of the undergraduate’s academic years must be spent in college or a recognised hostel.

If there should be no award in any one year of either scholarship the income of the particular fund shall be added to the capital thereof.

In the event of the scholarship being awarded and of there being no University college or University hostel in existence in Adelaide the holder shall have the choice of attending whatever University college in the Commonwealth of Australia he or she so desires.

With the above conditions in view the Council shall decide to whom the scholarship shall be awarded.’

B. These are scholarships to assist with accommodation expenses for students who reside at one of the residential colleges affiliated with the University of Adelaide, to undertake study at the University. Available to commencing or continuing students enrolled full-time undertaking an undergraduate program of study in agriculture or social sciences at the University.

C. The University accepted the bequest upon the trusts specified by the donor and the bequest 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 J E Jenkins 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 bequest of the donor.
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 donor(s); and

   (b) to establish a scholarship(s) in the manner described in the following Rules.

Rules

The J E Jenkins Scholarships are administered according to the following rules:-

1. The Scholarship shall be known as the “J E Jenkins Scholarship”.

2. Recipients must be Australian citizens undertaking study as a Commonwealth supported student and must remain enrolled on a full time basis in the approved program for which the scholarship was approved.

3. The annual value of the Scholarship is $1,250 payable in two equal instalments direct to the student following confirmation of enrolment and satisfactory academic progress after each of the census dates (usually 31 March and 31 August each year).

4. Two Scholarships shall be awarded annually, one to a female and one to a male, who is a commencing or continuing student undertaking an undergraduate program of study in agriculture or social sciences at the University of Adelaide.

5. Applicants must be residents of one of the residential colleges affiliated with the University of Adelaide, ie Aquinas College, Lincoln College, St. Ann’s College, St. Mark’s College, Kathleen Lumley College or Roseworthy Residential College or in other University affiliated accommodation (The Village, Mattanya Housing, The University of Adelaide floor at Urbanest or University subsidised accommodation).

6. The Scholarship will provide assistance with education and living costs for one year for which the recipient is offered the Scholarship, subject to the students maintaining a Grade Point Average of at least 4 (pass average) in each semester of enrolment.

7. The Scholarship must be taken up in the year in which it is offered; acceptance of the Scholarship offer cannot be deferred. If a student declines the Scholarship offer, the Scholarship will be offered to the next eligible student.

8. The Scholarship shall be administered by the Coursework Scholarships Office of the University.

9. Selection of the successful candidate will be made by the Coursework Scholarships Office according to academic merit. Preference will be given to a student who has served in the Commonwealth armed forces, or who has relocated from outside of metropolitan Adelaide. Academic merit for commencing students will be determined according to ATAR or equivalent scores. Academic merit for continuing students will be determined according to students’ cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) or equivalent scores.

10. Students in receipt of other University of Adelaide Scholarships may apply for this Scholarship.

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11. If there is no candidate of sufficient merit in any given year, then the scholarship(s) shall not be awarded that year and the income shall be added to the capital sum in the Endowment Fund.

12. The scholarship will be terminated where:
   
   • a student ceases to be enrolled in the approved program of study at the University;
   • a student has provided false or misleading information with regard to their personal details;
   • a student has failed to maintain satisfactory academic progress for two consecutive semesters;
   • a student is guilty of serious misconduct in terms of the University Policy Rules for Student Conduct in the University.

13. The University may vary the rules from time to time in a manner consistent with the University’s legal obligations and policies.

Rules approved by Deputy Vice Chancellor & Vice President (Academic) 11 July 2017