UTR2.232 - DAVID BLIGHT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Background –

A. In 2009 the David Blight Memorial Fund was established in memory of the late Dr David Blight (1947-2005), one of South Australia’s pioneering minerals and resource figures. David graduated from the University of Adelaide and his career spanned the private and public sectors in South Australia, Western Australia and the Northern Territory.

B. This is an undergraduate scholarship open to students who have successfully completed the first year of their Bachelor of Science program, preferably with an interest in Geology.

C. The University established the scholarship and the funds therefore became the capital (‘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 ‘David Blight Memorial Scholarship’ (‘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 terms of the Scholarship.

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; and

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

Rules

4. The David Blight Memorial Scholarship is administered according to the following Rules:-

   (1) This scholarship is open to students who are Australian citizens or permanent residents of Australia who have completed not less than one year in any of the following programs of study at the University of Adelaide:-

       • Bachelor of Science (Mineral Geoscience)
       • Bachelor of Science (Petroleum Geoscience)
       • Bachelor of Science (Evolutionary Biology) with a geology major,
       • Bachelor of Science (Natural Resources) with a geology major
       • Bachelor of Science with a geology major
Students must have successfully completed the first year of their Bachelor of Science program. Preference will be given to students who have an interest in Geology, and intend to pursue a career in geosciences within the Mining Industry in Australia at the completion of their degree program.

The scholarship will provide an annual amount of $5,000 per annum for the duration of the recipients’ undergraduate program, up to a maximum of three years, to assist with education and living costs.

This scholarship is open to students demonstrating continuing financial need. Students must be able to demonstrate financial need and be able to provide supporting documentary evidence at the time of application, eg details of income tested Commonwealth income support payment, such as Youth Allowance, Austudy, ABSTUDY benefits, or other details of their financial circumstances.

Selection for this scholarship will be made on the basis of financial need and academic merit.

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.