

R6.98 - Lizette Bentwitch Scholarship

Recitals-

- A. Lizette Bentwitch, formerly of Majestic Mansions, Fitzroy Street, St Kilda, spinster, who died on the 27 November 1954 directed the trustee of her will to hold the residue of her estate upon trust for conversion and to divide the net proceeds into two equal parts and further directed the trustee as follows-

“To pay one of such equal parts to the treasurer or other proper official of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and to pay the other of such equal parts to the treasurer or other proper official of the University of Melbourne, Australia, and the said universities to respectively apply the income therefrom in the establishment of a scholarship or scholarships in memory of my beloved parents, Maurice and Elizabeth Bentwitch, to bear the name ‘Lizette Bentwitch’ for students of their respective universities, such scholarships shall be awarded from time to time either for Music or for any other branch of the Humanities as the authorities of the respective university shall determine.”

- B. The University received the sum of £10,151 15s. 2d. in satisfaction of the bequest, which sum increased to \$42,251 at 31 December 1994.

It is provided as follows-

1. The sum of \$42,251 and any accumulations or additions to the sum forms a fund called the ‘Lizette Bentwitch Scholarship Fund’ (‘the fund’) and the fund must be paid into an investment pool and remain there until the Council directs otherwise.
2. The scholarship is open to competition every two years. Eligibility to apply for the scholarship will alternate between Music graduates of the University and graduates who have been awarded a degree with honours by the faculty of Arts in the University.
3. When the scholarship is open to competition among Music graduates it is to be awarded by the Council on the recommendation of the dean of the faculty of Music.
4. When the scholarship is open to competition among Arts graduates it is to be awarded by the Council on the recommendation of the dean of the faculty of Arts.
5. The scholarship is awarded for study overseas and is tenable for two years. However, if the dean of the relevant faculty recommends that the scholarship be awarded for one year, it must be awarded in the first instance for one year only and the Council may for the following year, on the recommendation of the respective dean, either-
 - (a) renew the award to the same person for a second year; or
 - (b) award the scholarship to an eligible graduate of the respective faculty for one year only,and if no award is made in the second year the unexpended income is to be added to the capital of the fund.
6. The amount of the scholarship is the net annual income of the fund.
7. The scholarship may be held concurrently with any other scholarship or similar benefit if the total annual emoluments of all scholarships and similar benefits held by the scholar do not exceed the amount from time to time determined by the Council as the desirable maximum for an overseas scholarship.
8. If in the first year of a biennial period in which the scholarship is open to competition there is no worthy candidate the scholarship is to be open to competition in the second year of the biennial period among graduates of the same category.

If in any biennial period when the scholarship is open to competition there is no worthy candidate among graduates of the eligible category the unexpended income for that period is to be available to provide an additional scholarship to be open to competition in any subsequent biennial period among graduates of the same category notwithstanding that the original scholarship may in the same period be open to competition among graduates of the other category: Provided that the Council may at any time direct that unexpended income be added in whole or in part to the fund.

9. Applications for the scholarship are to be invited by a notice on the University notice board whenever the scholarship is available and must in general be lodged with the academic registrar by 1 February.

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