

## **UTR6.214 – THE MURIEL RAMM SCIENCE BURSARY AND THE RAMM PRIZE IN EXPERIMENTAL PHYSICS**

### Recitals-

- A. Professor Emeritus Colin Ramm, former dean of the faculty of Science, and his family in 1998 donated to the University the sum of \$25,000 to establish the Muriel Ramm Bursary in Science in memory of his late wife.
- B. In 1999 the donors gave a further \$25,000 to augment the fund.
- C. In 2001 the donors gave a further \$50,000 to augment the fund and in providing this additional amount, the donors stipulated that the income of the fund is to be applied as follows:
  - (i) ten per cent to be added to the capital;
  - (ii) sixty-seven and a half per cent for the provision of the bursary; and
  - (iii) twenty-two and a half per cent to provide 'an annual cash prize for the graduate student (Honours, Masters or Doctoral) considered by the Head of the School of Physics to have done the best work in experimental physics'.
- D. The fund stood at \$100,000 at 14 September 2001.
- E. The donor intended the prize to be open to all graduate students studying Experimental Physics. From 2009 a student could undertake graduate studies in Experimental Physics by undertaking a research training program in the degree of master of Science, the postgraduate diploma in Science, the honours year of the bachelor of Science degree or a research higher degree. As a result a cy près application was made to the Attorney-General for Victoria for the prize to be available to all graduate students studying Experimental Physics.
- F. On 25 June 2009, the Attorney-General sanctioned the following cy près scheme pursuant to section 4 of the Charities Act 1978 (Vic)-  

'that the terms of the Trust be varied to permit the Ramm Prize in Experimental Physics to be awarded annually by the Council on the recommendation of the dean of the faculty of Science to a student in the school of Physics enrolling or enrolled in a research training program in the degree of Master of Science, the post graduate diploma in Science, the honours year of the Bachelor of Science degree or a research higher degree, and undertaking studies in Experimental Physics, who has demonstrated excellent research potential. Before making a recommendation, the dean must consult the head of the school of Physics.'

### It is provided as follows-

1. The sum of \$100,000 and any accumulations and additions to the sum forms a fund called 'The Muriel Ramm Science Bursary and The Ramm Prize in Experimental Physics Fund' ('fund') and the fund must be paid into an investment pool and remain there until Council directs otherwise.
2. Ten per cent of the net annual income of the fund is to be added to the capital.
3. Sixty-seven and a half per cent of the net annual income is applied to providing The Muriel Ramm Science Bursary ('bursary').
4. The bursary is awarded annually by Council on the recommendation of the dean of the faculty of Science ('dean') to a student entering an Honours course or postgraduate degree in the faculty of Science who is not expected to receive more funds from the University other than an Honours scholarship which covers a fee-based place. The

bursary is awarded to the candidate most likely to benefit academically from it. In determining which candidate is most likely to benefit academically from it, the dean may take into account equity criteria such as financial need or hardship arising from being a member of a minority or disadvantaged group.

5. Twenty-two and a half per cent of the net annual income is applied to providing The Ramm Prize in Experimental Physics ('prize').
6. The prize is awarded annually by Council on the recommendation of the dean to a student in the school of Physics enrolling or enrolled in a research training program in the degree of Master of Science, the postgraduate diploma in Science, the honours year of the Bachelor of Science degree or a research higher degree, and undertaking studies in Experimental Physics, who has demonstrated excellent research potential. Before making a recommendation, the dean must consult the head of the school of Physics.

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