1. **Background**

   a. Established in 2018, this Scholarship has been generously donated by Valerie Joan Beale to assist commencing students at the University of Sydney.

2. **Eligibility**

   a. Applicants must be an Australian Citizen, or Australian Permanent Resident,
   
   b. Applicants must be commencing in a University of Sydney coursework degree,
   
   c. Applicants must apply for an Equity Scholarship via the UAC online portal.

3. **Selection Criteria**

   a. The Scholarship will be awarded on the demonstration of:
      
      I. academic merit,
      
      II. financial hardships, and
      
      III. one or more of the followings:
         
         i. carer responsibilities,
         
         ii. Indigenous Australian,
         
         iii. long-term medical condition / disability or ongoing effects of abuse
         
         iv. regional or remote disadvantage,
         
         v. sole-parent responsibilities.
   
   b. The Scholarship will be awarded by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Registrar), or their nominated delegates.

4. **Value**

   a. The Scholarship is valued at $20,000 per annum and is tenable for duration of the degree.
   
   b. The Scholarship annual value will be paid in two equal instalments after the census date of each semester.
   
   c. Deferral of the Scholarship is not permitted and it is not transferable to another University.
   
   d. The Scholarship will be offered subject to the availability of funds.
   
   e. No other amount is payable.

5. **Ongoing eligibility**

    a. To continue receipt of the Scholarship, the recipient must maintain a minimum Semester Average Mark (SAM) of 50 each semester.
b. Recipients undertaking an exchange during the tenure of this Scholarship are required to have achieved a Satisfied Requirements grade (SR) to receive their next payment.

6. Termination

a. The Scholarship will be terminated if the recipient:

   I. withdraws from an eligible course or fails to enrol,
   II. commences part-time study without prior approval,
   III. does not maintain satisfactory academic performance,
   IV. is determined by the University to be guilty of serious misconduct, including, but not limited to, having provided false or misleading information as part of their Scholarship application,
   V. is awarded an alternative primary scholarship. In such circumstances this scholarship will be terminated in favour of the alternative scholarship where the alternative scholarship is of higher value,
   VI. does not resume study at the end of a period of approved leave, or
   VII. any other provision as indicated in these terms that would lead to termination.

b. Once the Scholarship has been terminated, it will not be reinstated unless due to University error.

c. Where a student is found guilty of serious misconduct or withdraws from the relevant course, the University reserves the right to request that any Scholarship funds paid to the Scholarship recipient be reimbursed.