

## GIVING YOUR SUPPORT

The Scholarship represents a very ambitious initiative for the Patrician Community. We understand that the capacity of each Patrician to donate varies. Your committee simply asks everyone to consider making a gift of which you can be proud. Our objective is to inspire 111 Patricians to make a significant contribution to permanently endow this scholarship.

Donations can be made via:

- **Online by credit card** <https://webapps.acu.edu.au/givenow>  
enter SPOCA in the space labeled 'Other'
- **By bank transfer to:** Australian Catholic University  
BSB: 082451 Account No: 506966793  
Ref SPOCA and your name  
Email a copy of the bank transfer to  
[ACUAdvancement@acu.edu.au](mailto:ACUAdvancement@acu.edu.au) with your full name and postal address so a receipt can be sent to you.
- **By cheque payable to Australian Catholic University.**  
With details: ref SPOCA, your name, address and phone.  
Send to ACU Foundation, Attn. Senior Foundation Administrator, PO Box 968 North Sydney NSW 2059.

## WHO ARE WE CONTACTING?

We are relying primarily on SPOCA's database to make connections with all Patricians but we know our list is incomplete. If you are in contact with other Patricians we ask that you draw the scholarship to their attention.

If you want a copy of this pamphlet to send to your friends, please contact our President, Murray Cullinan: [murray.cullinan@gmail.com](mailto:murray.cullinan@gmail.com)

## FEEDBACK AND CONFIDENTIAL DISCUSSION

If you have any comments or suggestions or wish to discuss your support in confidence please contact Murray.



## St Patrick's Jesuit College Scholarship @ ACU

\* The St Patrick's Old Collegians' Association (SPOCA) and the Australian Catholic University (ACU) have agreed to collaborate to establish a permanently endowed scholarship as an everlasting legacy of our College and the outstanding education we received from the Jesuits.

\* ACU is a national university with a commitment to service. Its Melbourne campus, named St Patrick's, has about 11,000 students. The University is highly regarded for its courses in education, health sciences, arts, theology and philosophy.

\* About half of ACU's students are the first from their family to study at a tertiary level.

\* Feedback from Patricians, including after the recent Annual Dinner, endorses and supports the establishment of an endowed scholarship at the ACU to honour our old school.

## **KEY FEATURES**

- \* the scholarship(s) will be awarded to students in their second year of a teaching degree course.
- \* selection decisions will be based primarily on merit as we want to foster excellence, but equity will also be considered important.
- \* successful applicants will be expected to have values which are consistent with Jesuit values, and they will be supported by a SPOCA selected mentor with a Jesuit connection.
- \* there will be a review during the first year of operation to determine whether eligibility should be restricted to the undergraduate level, and whether scholarships will be awarded for more than one year.
- \* the number of scholarships awarded each year will depend on the level of support we receive from the Patrician community.
- \* we aim to provide \$4,000 for each recipient.
- \* \$100,000 raised would provide about \$5,000 annually for scholarships.

## **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

A Memorandum of Understanding between SPOCA and ACU was signed in July 2018 outlining the following roles and obligations of the Association and the University:

### **SPOCA**

- \* aim to raise sufficient funds to permanently endow the Scholarship
  - \* work with ACU to determine the key elements, including eligibility, selection criteria and amount of the Scholarship.
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### **ACU**

- \* administer the scholarship, accept donations, manage the investments and assist SPOCA undertake the fundraising.
- \* meet the costs associated with accepting donations, managing the investments and administering the fundraising.
- \* provide an annual report to SPOCA on the status of the Scholarship fund.
- \* will not use donor details to separately market or promote its own fundraising activities.

## **THE CASE FOR SUPPORTING A SCHOLARSHIP**

- \* this initiative will establish a permanent legacy of St Patrick's Jesuit College, East Melbourne.
  - \* the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the closure of our college provides a once in a lifetime opportunity to leave a lasting legacy.
  - \* ACU is a very appropriate partner. Its campus shares the name of our old College; it is within a stone's throw of our former school; it shares our values and its students generally come from families of modest means. ACU is very supportive of SPOCA, and has recently provided the ongoing use of an office at Cathedral Hall to develop a College museum display.
  - \* the Scholarship resonates strongly with SPOCA's recent modest support for education related initiatives and will support a critical area for future generations:- quality, engaged teachers.
  - \* this is the only occasion in the history of SPOCA that we have sought your support for fundraising on this scale.
  - \* your donation will be a perpetual investment.
  - \* every donor will be thanked.
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