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Dear Alumni,

Reaching a goal is a great feeling. At the University of Sydney's School of Physics, we are inspired by achievement. It pushes us further and makes us aim higher.

Our students are encouraged to keep striving, even through tough times. This encouragement can come from teachers, supervisors and mentors. It might be in the form of constructive feedback, or recognition of a job well done. Often, they take inspiration from knowing that those who were students before them have gone on to fulfil *their* goals.

We want our students to succeed and we're committed to ensuring they have the best higher education experience possible. We want them to make the most of their potential and we encourage them every step of the way. To do this even better, we need your help today.

You'll understand how studying, working and being away from home can make it hard to stay focussed on your goal. It's a huge challenge to perform at your best when you're tired from shift-work, the electricity bill is hanging over you and – worse – the rent is overdue. The cost of travel, books, food and accommodation can easily overwhelm many of our students.

That's why I'm writing to alumni and friends like you. We want to expand our existing Alumni Scholarships to assist undergraduate students who are hindered by financial disadvantage. By easing their financial burdens, you can give students the opportunity to focus more on their studies and achieve their potential to excel.

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Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

Your generosity will not only help our students now but also allow for more scholarships to be established in the future. We will be able to offer additional scholarships as more of our alumni contribute.

Your gift can do so much. For example if 100 alumni give \$100 per year over three years, they could cover the cost of one scholarship for a student. This would make a real difference to students who through no fault of their own have great difficulty doing their best at university.

The financial assistance you could provide to disadvantaged students now will not only encourage them to achieve, but also allow them to take their studies further. And remember, if you send your donation of \$2 or more for the scholarship by June 30 you can claim it on this year's tax return.

Our current students are our future alumni. We hope that when their time comes they will look back at the hand that was extended to them, and help the next cohort to achieve their ambitions too.

Yours sincerely



Professor Anne Green
Head, School of Physics
The University of Sydney

P.S. I hope you enjoy your new Alumni Card, enclosed. It provides you with access to the new Alumni Online Community and a range of other benefits and services.



Tim Robbins, Astronomy

Being offered a Postgraduate Award by the School of Physics has brought finishing my PhD at the University of Sydney into the realm of feasibility. Without this award, I would have been forced to choose between finishing my degree elsewhere or applying for loans to cover my cost of living."

Peter Dobbie, Complex Systems

"It would not have been possible to study full time without financial support because other work commitments would have been too great."

Andrew Das Arulsamy, Photonics and Optics

"I have always loved to further my understanding as well as contribute to new knowledge in physics. However, I could not have continued in this path without the scholarship support. My deepest and sincerest gratitude to the University of Sydney School of Physics for this much-needed scholarship support."