Faculty of Science Postgraduate Research Prize for Outstanding Academic Achievement

Terms and Conditions
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1. Description

a. Established in 2007, the Faculty of Science Postgraduate Research Prize for Outstanding Academic Achievement is awarded to postgraduate research students in recognition of outstanding achievement in research publication.

2. Eligibility criteria

a. Students must have commenced their candidature in either a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) or Masters by Research in the Faculty of Science at the University of Sydney in the year of award, or one of the two preceding years.

b. Students whom have been a lead/primary author of a significant, high-quality peer reviewed publication that was submitted for publication no less than 6 months prior to the official commencement of their PhD or Masters by Research, and was accepted for publication within 36 months of commencing studies. Flexibility may be offered to students who, because of serious illness or misadventure, had to suspend their studies for a period of up to 6 months, but only at the discretion of the Dean of the Faculty of Science.

3. Selection criteria

a. The Prize will be awarded based on evidence of publication, the significance and quality of the publication and the role of the student in the relevant research.

b. Up to 10 Prizes may be awarded:

   I. One prize to the nominee of the School of Chemistry.
   II. One prize to the nominee of the School of Geosciences.
   III. One prize to the nominee of the School of History and Philosophy of Science.
   IV. Up to three prizes to the top ranked nominees of the School of Life and Environmental Sciences.
   V. One prize to the nominee of the School of Mathematics and Statistics.
   VI. One prize to the nominee of the School of Physics.
   VII. One prize to the nominee of the School of Psychology.
   VIII. One prize to the nominee of the Sydney School of Veterinary Science.

c. Recipients of the Prize will be nominated by the Dean of the Faculty of Science, or their nominee.

4. Value

a. This Prize has a value of $500 and will be paid as a one off payment.

b. No other amount is payable.
c. The Prize will be awarded subject to the availability of funds.

5. Ongoing eligibility

a. None apply.

6. Termination

a. The University reserves the right to withdraw the Prize, if the University determines that the student is guilty of serious misconduct, including, but not limited to, having provided false or misleading information that has a relationship to the awarding of this Prize.

b. Once withdrawn the Prize will not be reinstated unless due to University error.