



UTS Prize Conditions of Award

Doug & Silvia Thompson Memorial Prize

Faculty: Arts and Social Sciences

This document sets out the conditions of award for the below Prize ('Prize') as well as the obligations of recipients ('Recipient') and UTS in regards to this Prize. The administrative processes to support awarding this Prize will be managed, and may be amended, in accordance with UTS Rules, Policy and Procedures.

1. PRIZE NAME: Doug & Silvia Thompson Memorial Prize

2. PURPOSE

The aim of the Doug & Silvia Memorial Prize is to encourage undergraduate journalism students to continue their journalism training by undertaking a voluntary work placement with a well known news outlet. The Prize is focused on providing this opportunity to students that don't necessarily have the social capital to obtain a placement on their own.

3. VALUE AND BENEFIT

3.1 Number of Recipients

- Three (3) new Recipients will be awarded each year.

3.2 Benefit/s to Recipient

- The maximum value of the award is \$5,000 to the recipient; and
- The opportunity for a voluntary work placement with a reputable news outlet.

3.3 Payment of benefit/s

- The Recipient will receive one payment of \$5,000 by electronic funds transfer to their nominated bank account; and
- The voluntary placement will be with a reputable news outlet (e.g. The Guardian, Australia; New York Times; Crikey) and will commence at the completion of Spring session. The parameters are to be agreed between the recipient and the designated news outlet.

4. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- To be eligible for the Prize, a candidate must meet all of the following criteria:
- Be an Australian or New Zealand citizen, or the holder of an Australian permanent resident visa or permanent humanitarian visa; and
- Be enrolled in one of the following courses:
 - Bachelor of Communication (Journalism); or
 - Bachelor of Communication (Journalism) Bachelor of Arts in International Studies; or
 - Bachelor of Communication (Journalism) Bachelor of Creative Intelligence and Innovation
 - Bachelor of Communication (Journalism) Bachelor of Laws
- Have successfully completed 96 credit points; and
- Submit a piece of journalistic work of completed during the degree and has been published on Central News which is:
 - no fewer than four-hundred (400) words; or
 - video work of no less than four (4) minutes; or
 - audio work or no less than four (4) minutes; and
- A statement of no more than 400 words articulating how being awarded the Prize will support their passion for a career in journalism.

5. RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA

- Journalistic merit of their submitted piece
- Articulated passion for a career in journalism as demonstrated in their submitted statement of no more than 400 words
- Academic merit in the Bachelor of Communication (Journalism) to date.

6. SELECTION

The applications will also be reviewed by a Selection Committee chaired by the Course Coordinator, Journalism (or their nominee), and will include a minimum of two other people with at least one UTS staff member and a representative from the host news outlet.

Determination of the Prize will be made using the above selection criteria. The Recipient(s) will be approved by the Chair of the Selection Committee and the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences.

7. OTHER CONDITIONS

N/A