



UTS Prize Conditions of Award

dwp Design Excellence Prize

Faculty: Design, Architecture & Building

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: dwp Design Excellence Prize

2. PURPOSE

The aim of the dwp Design Excellence Prize is to encourage design excellence in the Bachelor of Design in Architecture degree and provide the opportunity for students to gain insight into the day-to-day operation of the (architectural) profession, both internationally and domestically.

The Prize is open to applicants annually, offering senior Architecture students the opportunity to receive a cash grant to support their studies as well as paid work placement with dwp in their Bangkok and Sydney offices.

3. VALUE AND BENEFIT

3.1 Number of Recipients:

Usually, two (2) new Recipients will be awarded the Prize each year.

3.2 Benefit/s to Recipient:

- The maximum value of the prize is \$1,250 to each recipient.
- In addition to the Prize, the Recipient will have an opportunity to undertake a two (2), three (3) month paid work placements at dwp. The work placements will take place at a mutually convenient time and arranged between the Recipient and dwp and available in two (2) locations:
 - Bangkok:
 - For a minimum of two (2) months and a maximum of three (3) months; and
 - Ordinarily for five (5) days per week whilst in-country; and usually take place in Summer session (November to February), commencing in the year of the award.
 - Sydney:
 - For a minimum of three (3) months; and
 - Ordinarily for two (2) days per week during semester/s and up to five (5) days per week during semester breaks; and
 - Will commence upon return from Thailand.

3.3 Payment of benefit/s:

- Each Recipient(s) will receive one payment of \$1,250 by electronic funds transfer to their nominated bank account.
- Payment of the Prize will be made prior the start of the international placement upon receipt of written confirmation of participation, usually in the form of receipt of payment of an airfare.

4. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for the Prize, a candidate must meet all of the following criteria:

- Be enrolled full-time in one of the following UTS degrees:
 - Bachelor of Design in Architecture; or
 - Bachelor of Design in Architecture Bachelor of Creative Intelligence and Innovation; and
- Have successfully completed 96 credit points or greater in an eligible course; and
- Achieved a Weighted Average Mark (WAM) of 65 or above, with no fails; and
- Submit an extended curriculum vitae; and
- Submit a digital portfolio (max 3mb) made up of a maximum of five (5) x A1 landscape pages of display digital files, scans and/or photographs of original design work done by the applicant, including previous design studio submission/s that in their opinion presents their work best (compressed jpegs for web viewing); and
- Submit a one (1) page statement of what is good and/or lacking in each design (150-200 words for each design); and
- Attend an interview in person.

5. RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA

As evidenced by the submitted portfolio of work and interview:

- Exemplary design work
- Demonstration of a new/unique understanding or insight
- Innovation in design
- Ability to clearly communicate their design to others
- Ability to resolve design problems
- Academic Performance (WAM at the time of selection) may be taken into consideration.

6. SELECTION

The applicants will be interviewed by a Selection Committee chaired by the Dean, Faculty of Design, Architecture and Building (or nominee), and will include a minimum of two other people with at least one UTS staff member, and may include the Donor or Donor's representative.

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.

7. OTHER CONDITIONS

- Each Recipient is responsible for:
 - Passports, visa and all necessary arrangements for overseas travel (including insurance); and
 - Additional costs of living whilst in Thailand.
- dwp will assist each recipient in the sourcing of accommodation, with the cost borne by the recipient.