



HANK NELSON MEMORIAL AWARD

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

Every two years, the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific may offer an award known as the Hank Nelson Memorial Award (“the Award”).

The objective/s of the Award are to honour the memory of Hank Nelson and his commitment to Papua New Guinea, and to acknowledge the best Doctor of Philosophy thesis submitted by any student, internationally, on any aspect of Papua New Guinea’s history or society.

Funding for the Award has been provided by the Hank Nelson Memorial Endowment. The value of the prize awarded is \$1,000 AUD.

2. ELIGIBILITY

The Award is available, once every two years, to any student who:

- (a) is a domestic or international student,
- (b) completed the examination process for the award of Doctor of Philosophy within the last two calendar years;
- (c) had a thesis that focussed on any aspect of Papua New Guinea and was at least sixty thousand (60, 000) words in length.

3. APPLICATION

Applications are called for with a closing date as set by the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific. Applicants must complete, and submit, an online application form by the nominated deadline, along with necessary written responses or documentation to support their application prior to the closing date.

4. SELECTION

Selection is made on the basis of eligibility conditions, set in section three (3. Eligibility) above.

The Award will be offered to the most outstanding research thesis focussed on Papua New Guinea. Definitions of excellence are open to interpretation. Consideration may also be given to other factors which the Selection Committee considers to be appropriate.

A Selection Committee will be appointed and will make a recommendation for this award based on the online application and the written statements therein.

The Selection Committee shall consist of at least three members and will make a recommendation to the Dean.

The Selection Committee reserves the right to not award a recipient of the Award in any given round, to vary the number of Award recipients, or to make Award/s at other times in exceptional circumstances as determined by the Dean of the College (or nominee/ Selection Committee).

If the Committee deems it, the Award may be split between two theses of equal merit.

The College reserves the right to revise the Award conditions.

5. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF AWARDS

A recipient of the Award is permitted to concurrently hold other scholarships, awards, grants and bursaries subject to the terms of the corresponding section in the conditions of award of the other scholarship/bursary/grant/award that they are holding.

6. DEFERMENT

The Award cannot be deferred.

7. REPAYMENT OF FUNDS

Subject to the information available at the time, if a breach of the Award conditions occurs, the Dean of the College of Asia and the Pacific may request that the payment of the Award be refunded in part or in full.

8. PROVIDING FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION

The awarding of this prize is based on the information provided to the University. An award may be withdrawn at any stage if incorrect, false or misleading information is provided or relevant information is withheld.

9. TAXATION & CENTRELINK

Recipients are responsible for seeking taxation and Centrelink advice regarding their own individual circumstances. Scholarships/grants/prizes may be regarded as taxable income if a recipient is enrolled on a part-time basis.

10. PUBLICITY

The recipient may be requested to participate in publicity for the Award from time to time. Recipients may be contacted for an interview and photograph. The University may also publicise the Award by publishing the names of the recipients. Arrangements for such publicity will be made through the ANU College of Asia and the Pacific or Strategic Communications and Public Affairs Office of the University.

11. CONTACT WITH THE COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY

All enquiries regarding the Award and changes, issues, or further information after acceptance should be made to:

*Manager, Education Services
College of Asia and the Pacific*

Email: cap.student@anu.edu.au

12. DISCLAIMER

The recipient of this Award is subject to *The Australian National University Act 1991* as amended, and to the Statutes, Rules, Regulations and Resolutions of the University.

The award of a scholarship/grant does not carry any commitment by the University for future commitment.

13. RELATED POLICIES, PROCEDURES & RULES

ANU Prizes Policy –

https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_016212

ANU Prizes Procedure –

https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_016213

ANU Academic Misconduct Rules –

<https://www.comlaw.gov.au/Details/F2014L01785>

ANU Discipline Rules –

<https://www.comlaw.gov.au/Details/F2014L01792>