



SIR RAYMOND FIRTH PHD RESEARCH PRIZE

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION AND RECOGNITION

Each year the School of Culture, History and Language (CHL), College of Asia and the Pacific (CAP) will offer a prize known as the Sir Raymond Firth PhD Research Prize.

The objective of the prize is to assist advanced students in the CHL Anthropology Program with the costs of conducting ethnographic fieldwork during their PhD research.

The value of the prize awarded is \$3,500.

The prize will be on offer annually.

This award is named in honour of Professor Raymond Firth, one of the founding fathers of the Australian National University and of the Research School of Pacific Studies, and eminent anthropologist.

2. ELIGIBILITY

The award is available each year to an ANU student who is:

- (a) a domestic or international student; and
- (b) an enrolled PhD student in Anthropology in the School of Culture, History and Language, College of Asia and the Pacific.

3. SELECTION AND CONSTRAINTS

The Raymond Firth Research Award will be awarded each year to an advanced student in the Anthropology Program in CHL who is judged to be writing an outstanding PhD thesis, and has made outstanding contributions to the life of the Anthropology Program and the University. The award is to be used for research-related expenses that cannot be covered by CHL's normal research allocation, including conference travel, follow-up fieldwork and thesis-production costs.

By early August each year the Head of the CHL Anthropology Program will issue a call to PhD supervisors for nominations of any of their students whose theses they consider to be worthy of consideration for the PhD Research Prize. No more than one student per supervisor may be nominated. The student must have already written at least one chapter, but the thesis must not have been submitted for examination yet.

The Head of the Anthropology Program will contact each student who has been nominated, requesting them to submit one thesis chapter and a one page statement on his or her contributions to university and department life.

The judging panel shall consist of at least three members, to be appointed by the Head of the CHL Anthropology Program. The panel will make a recommendation on the prize to the Dean, CAP once each year, by approximately late August. The prize may not be shared.

The College reserves the right not to award the prize in a given year.

Where required, the University Medal Committee will be available for qualitative or subjective assessment determinants if a decision is not reached within the College to determine prize winners.

4. RECIPIENT OBLIGATIONS

The awarding of a prize is based on the information provided to the University. A prize may be declined by the recipient once they have been notified as the prize winner. This must be provided in writing to the Dean, CAP no later than fourteen days from notification.

If the prize is accepted by the recipient, they agree to the publication of their name.

In some instances, the recipient may be asked to:

- 1) write a letter of thanks to the donor;
- 2) participate in marketing activities and/or asked to provide a reflective statement.

5. REVIEW OF PRIZE

The award will be reviewed:

- a) at the conclusion of the period outlined in section 1; or
- b) if any eligibility requirements are to be amended; or
- c) after 3 years

whichever is earliest.

6. VARIATION TO CONDITIONS OF AWARD

In exceptional circumstances and on a case-by-case basis, these conditions of award may be varied by the Dean, CAP on the recommendation of the Head of the CHL Anthropology Program.

7. CONTACT WITH THE COLLEGE

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

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The Australian National University
Canberra ACTON 2601
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8. 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.

These conditions of award should be read in conjunction with the University's Coursework Scholarships Policy & Procedures available from the ANU website.

9. 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>