



SIR RAYMOND FIRTH THESIS 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 Thesis Prize.

The objective of the prize is to recognize and reward excellent PhD theses by Anthropology Students in CHL.

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;
- (b) an enrolled PhD student in Anthropology in the School of Culture, History and Language, College of Asia and the Pacific; and
- (c) who has been approved to the degree during the preceding calendar year.

3. SELECTION AND CONSTRAINTS

Each year, in approximately mid March, 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 Thesis Prize. No more than one student per supervisor may be nominated.

Each nomination must include:

- a nomination statement (one page maximum);
- an electronic copy of the thesis; and
- copies of the full examiners' reports including cover sheets.

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 early April. 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>