
Beverly Beasley and Family Prize

Rules

Establishment

This Prize has been established by a donation to the University by Emerita Professor Chris Beasley (the founder of the Fay Gale Centre (FGC) for Research on Gender), her mother Beverly, and their family. The purpose of this Prize is to honour Dr Beverly Beasley and her family's legacy for their long-standing work to advance social justice in Higher Education and to encourage non-traditional students dealing with financial difficulties and/or with social discrimination. The donor has agreed to support the prize at \$500 per year for a period of three years (2021 -2023) until otherwise determined by the University, and after discussions with the donor.

Value

The value of the Prize will be \$500.

Eligibility

To be eligible for the Prize, candidates must:

- be a FGC member¹ at the University; and/ or
- be a higher degree by research student who is a member of the Alliance of Gender Scholars;² and ;
 - have demonstrated an interest in research on gender and/or sexuality analysis;
 - be able to demonstrate that they are either in financial need (*confirmed through receipt of Centrelink Youth Allowance or Abstudy*) OR of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent;

Selection

Applications will be evaluated by a selection committee comprising three members of the FGC for Research on Gender Management Committee, including Emerita Professor Chris Beasley. In the event that the three members of the selection committee choose three different winners and are unable to negotiate an agreement, the Director of the Fay Gale Centre will make the final choice.

Applications will be assessed on the basis of the following selection criteria:

- Contribution to feminist scholarship;
- Application of gender and sexuality theory to a historical or contemporary issue/topic;
- Quality (for example, well-written, persuasive argument).

If there is no candidate of sufficient merit in any given year, the Prize will not be awarded in that year, and the funds will be held in trust by the University and used to award the Prize in the following year.

¹ A member of the FGC is a person who has submitted a written application to become a member of the Centre, with said application being approved.

² The Alliance of Gender Scholars is a group of PhD students and Early Career Researchers from across the University who are interested in/and are conducting research in gender-related issues.

The same candidate cannot be awarded the Prize more than twice.

Variations

In consultation with the donor the University may vary the rules from time to time in a manner consistent with the University's legal obligations and policies.

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