Background

A. Upon the retirement of Mr David Pawsey in 1985, in recognition of his 34 years’ service in the Department of Electrical Engineering, donations were made to the University of Adelaide with the purpose of benefiting students in Electrical Engineering. In 2009 it was decided that the interest from the funds would be used to establish an annual prize.

B. The purpose of the prize is the recognition and encouragement of outstanding students in the Bachelor of Engineering (Electrical & Electronic Engineering), (Computer Systems Engineering), (Telecommunications Engineering), (Avionics & Electronic Systems Engineering) or (Electrical & Sustainable).

C. The University accepted the donations upon the trusts specified by the donors and the donations therefore became the capital subject to those trusts (‘capital sum’).

Name of the fund

1. The capital sum, all income arising from the capital sum and any accumulations and additions thereto together form a fund called ‘The David Pawsey Prize in Electrical and Electronic Engineering’ (‘fund’).

Investment of the fund

2. The fund is to be amalgamated for the purposes of investment, and held in a common fund, and the net income earned by the common fund shall be credited, rateably, to the funds so amalgamated and thereafter distributed according to the wishes of the donors.

Obligations

3. In administering the fund, the University must adhere to the terms specified and is obliged:-

   (a) to invest the capital sum according to the directions of the donors; and

   (b) to establish a prize in the manner described in the following Rules.

Rules

Value
The value of the Prize is $700.00 per year, or such other amount as the University shall from time to time determine provided that the value of the prize does not exceed the annual distribution of interest available from the Endowment Fund.

Eligibility
The prize will be awarded annually by the University to eligible students enrolled in the following degree programs:
Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (Electrical & Electronic)
Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (Computer Systems)

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Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (Telecommunications)
Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (Electrical and Sustainable Energy)

or associated double degrees with a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) component in the above disciplines.

Selection of Candidate
The Head of the School of Electrical & Electronic Engineering or nominee will award the prize to the student who placed highest in order of academic merit as a result of their first attempt in the combined assessment of the Level II course: ELEC ENG 2007 Signals & Systems.
If there is no candidate of sufficient merit in a given year then the prize will not be awarded in that year and the money will be used in subsequent years. In this case provision may be made for multiple prizes in subsequent years.
If there is more than one candidate of equal merit, then the prize shall be shared equally.

Variations
The University may vary the rules from time to time in a manner consistent with the University’s legal obligations and policies.

Rules approved by Deputy Vice Chancellor & Vice President (Academic) 27 April 2016