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AND

THE PROFESSOR SIR WILLIAM MITCHELL ESSAY PRIZE

Background

A. In 1987 the sum of $20,000 was given to the University by Mrs J R Thomson to honour the memory of her father, the late Professor Sir William Mitchell, Hughes Professor of English Language and Literature, and of Mental and Moral Philosophy (1894-1916), Vice-Chancellor (1916-1942), and Chancellor of the University (1942-1948).

B. The donor’s wish was that the gift would be applied to the benefit of Philosophy students at the University of Adelaide.

C. The University accepted the donation upon the trusts specified by the donor, and the donation 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 Professor Sir William Mitchell Prize’ (‘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 trusts specified by the donor.

Rules

The following rules are hereby made:

The Professor Sir William Mitchell Prize for Honours Philosophy

1. There shall be a prize to be known as ‘The Professor Sir William Mitchell Prize for Honours Philosophy’.

2. The prize shall be available for award annually.

3. The value of the prize shall be $2,100 unless otherwise determined.

4. The prize shall be awarded each year to the student in Honours Philosophy who obtains a first class Honours degree and is placed highest in order of merit.

5. If in any year the prize is not awarded, then two or more prizes may be awarded in subsequent years to two or more persons who obtain first-class Honours degrees and who are placed highest in order of merit.

6. If two or more candidates eligible for the prize are of equal merit, the prize or prizes shall be shared equally among them.
7. The prize shall be awarded by the Faculty on the recommendation of the Head of the Discipline of Philosophy.
8. These rules may be varied from time to time by the Faculty, but the title and purpose of the award shall not be changed.

The Professor Sir William Mitchell Essay Prize

1. The prize shall be called ‘The Professor Sir William Mitchell Essay Prize’.
2. The value of the prize shall be $500, unless otherwise determined by the Faculty.
3. The prize shall be awarded each year to the student who submits the best essay in any Advanced Level Philosophy course during the year.
4. If no one is deemed eligible for the prize, then no award shall be made.
5. It is intended that this prize will be awarded to the recipient of the Jefferis Memorial Medal.
6. These rules may be varied from time to time by the Faculty, but the title and purpose of the award shall not be changed.

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