A. In 2005 the University of Adelaide received a donation from Dr Paul Rohan to provide an annual prize in Electrical and Electronic Engineering in memory of his late wife, Gertrude Rohan.

B. The University accepted the donations 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 Gertrude Rohan Memorial 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 wishes of the donor.

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 donor; and

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

Rules

The following rules are hereby made:-

Value

The value of the Prize will be $200.00 per year, together with a commemorative medal, 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 and is open to PhD candidates in the School of Electrical and Electronic Engineering whose thesis topic is in the area of Information and Communications Technology.

Selection of Candidate

A recommendation for the prize shall be made by 1 October each year by the Head of the School of Electrical and Electronic Engineering and will be awarded to the candidate, who qualified for the degree of PhD in the previous 12 month period between 1 July and 30 June, and who is deemed to have produced the best PhD thesis on the basis of the reports of the external examiners of the thesis, refereed publications and any other measurable attributes of quality.

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If there is no candidate of sufficient merit due to no theses being worthy of the award 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 each of the candidates shall be awarded a medal and the prize will 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