



## GAVIN JONES DEMOGRAPHY PRIZE

### CONDITIONS OF AWARD

#### 1. INTRODUCTION AND RECOGNITION

Each year the School of Demography may offer one prize known as the Gavin Jones Demography Prize.

The objective/s of the prize are:

The main objective of the Gavin Jones' Award is to encourage and support research on topics that defined Gavin's research, fieldwork, and teaching focus. Researchers working on the topics Asian demography, and family demography, are candidates to receive this award.

The value of the prize/s awarded is \$1300.

The prize will be on offer from 2025.

Funding for this prize has been provided by:

A research endowment fund has been established in recognition of Professor Gavin Jones's longstanding service to the ANU School of Demography.

After completing his undergraduate degree at the University of New England, Armidale, Gavin Jones joined ANU to conduct his PhD in 1963-1966 on the topic of 'The Growth of Malaysia's Labour Force'. This research was the start of a lifetime of research on Asian demographic issues. He then worked for the Population Council in New York, Bangkok and Jakarta until he returned to ANU Demography as a staff member in 1975. From 1979-1982, he was Executive Director of the ANU Development Studies Centre, and from 1988 to 1996, he was head of the Department of Demography at ANU. At ANU, he held many roles, including Head of the Division of Sociology and Demography in RSCS, supervised numerous PhD students, and was universally respected. He moved to the National University of Singapore in 2003, retiring from there in 2014. At NUS, he established the important journal, *Asian Population Studies*. For many years, he was the most cited scholar on the demography of Asia. In his early career, his work was focussed on population and development, but he later became one of the world's leading scholars on the demography of the family. He joined the Emeritus faculty of ANU in 2018. In his retirement, he continued his academic work from his base in Perth. Gavin is remembered for his kind and thoughtful insights, and dedication to supporting early career researchers.

#### 2. ELIGIBILITY

The award is available each year to an ANU student who is:

- (a) a domestic or international student. (A domestic student is considered - an Australian citizen, New Zealand citizen, holder of an Australian Permanent Resident visa or a permanent humanitarian visa)
- (b) enrolled in a postgraduate research degree program or post-doctorate position in the Research School of Social Sciences or School of Demography
- (c) one or more eligibility requirements: The Fund will support a researcher working in the fields of demography and human development - including topics such as low fertility regimes in Asia, urbanization issues, and equity aspects of educational development.

### 3. SELECTION AND CONSTRAINTS

Selection is made on the basis of applicants meeting the eligibility criteria and then ranked according to their academic record rank: publications, teaching, conference presentation, media appearance, etc. Other factors, such as organization of activities that promote the wellbeing and life of Asian societies (in Australia) will be taken into consideration.

The School of Demography reserves the right to make no award if it considers there is no applicant of sufficient merit. The selection committee may also vary the number of prizes if multiple winners are identified by splitting the prize.

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 Head of School of Demography no later than a month 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
  - (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 on the recommendation of the Chair of Selection Committee.

### 7. CONTACT WITH THE COLLEGE

All enquiries regarding the prize and changes, issues, or further information after acceptance should be made to:

*School of Demography  
 Research School of Social Sciences  
 College of Arts and Social Sciences  
 RSSS Building, 146 Ellery Crescent  
 The Australian National University  
 Canberra ACTON 2601  
 AUSTRALIA  
 Email: admin.rsss@anu.edu.au*

**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 Coursework Scholarship Policy

[https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP\\_007803](https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_007803)

ANU Coursework Scholarship Procedure

[https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP\\_009607](https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_009607)

ANU Academic Misconduct Rules –

<https://www.comlaw.gov.au/Details/F2014L01785>

ANU Discipline Rules –

<https://www.comlaw.gov.au/Details/F2014L01792>