

## **CUSACK PRIZE**

### **CONDITIONS OF AWARD**

#### **1. INTRODUCTION AND RECOGNITION**

Each year the School of Medicine and Psychology may offer one prize known as the Cusack Prize.

The objective of the prize is to encourage and promote the development of critical care specialists and in particular inspire medical students and training doctors to undertake critical care as a specialty with a strong academic focus.

The value of the prize awarded is \$500.

The Prize will be on offer from 2024 to 2027

The prize, established in 2016, is sponsored by David and Elizabeth Cusack.

#### **2. ELIGIBILITY**

The award is available each year to an ANU Doctor of Medicine and Surgery (MChD) student who is:

- (a) enrolled in Year two (MEDI8020) of the MChD at the ANU College of Health and Medicine;
- (b) has been assessed as submitting Critical Care related research project; AND
- (c) has presented the findings at the annual David and Elizabeth Cusack Critical Care forum and or at the Canberra Health Annual Research Forum

#### **3. SELECTION AND CONSTRAINTS**

The Research committee will help identify research projects that meet point 2b above and provide project details to the Selection committee. Projects that meet the requirements of 2b are those that are related to / took place in

- The Intensive Care Unit
- Emergency Department and/or
- Anaesthetics Department

The members of the Selection Committee shall be drawn by the Director, School of Medicine and Psychology, and include appropriate representation from the relevant departments at Canberra Health Services (intensive care, anaesthesia and emergency medicine)

The prize shall not be shared.

If, in any year, no student is assessed by the Director, School of Medicine and Psychology acting on the advice of the Examiners' Panel as sufficiently outstanding, the prize shall not be awarded in that year.

#### **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 the School of Medicine and Psychology no later than 30 days 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 Director, School of Medicine and Psychology on the recommendation of the Department of Critical Care at the Canberra Hospital.

## **7. CONTACT WITH THE COLLEGE**

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

*School of Medicine and Psychology*

*ANU College of Health & Medicine Florey  
Building #54*

*The Australian National University  
Canberra ACTON 2601 AUSTRALIA*

*Email: [enquiries.health.smp@anu.edu.au](mailto:enquiries.health.smp@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>

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