



DAMIAN McMAHON CLINICAL SKILLS PRIZE

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION AND RECOGNITION

Each year the School of Medicine and Psychology may offer an award known as the Damian McMahon Clinical Skills Prize.

The Damian McMahon Clinical Skills Prize was created 2012, replacing the Welch Allyn Clinical Skills Prize. The Damian McMahon Clinical Skills Prize recognizes the importance of, and those students who excel in the performance of Clinical Skills in the Doctor of Medicine and Surgery (MChD) Program.

The value of the prize/s awarded is \$1000

The prize will be on offer from 2024 to 2027

Funding for this prize has been provided by members of the School of Medicine and Psychology community in memory of the late Dr Damian McMahon. Dr McMahon was instrumental in setting up the Phase 2 Clinical Skills program when the school was established, teaching clinical skills for both the University of Sydney Canberra Clinical School as well as the new ANU Medical School when it was established. Dr McMahon was a trauma surgeon, a driving force behind the Snowy Hydro SouthCare Helicopter and a passionate teacher who wanted graduates of the MChD program to be confident, safe and skilled when undertaking patient care.

2. ELIGIBILITY

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

- i. in that year enrolled in Year Four of the Doctor of Medicine and Surgery (MChD) in the School of Medicine and Psychology
- ii. was the best performing student in Phase 2 clinical skills assessments as advised by the Assessment and Evaluation Unit, based on results of Phase 2 Observed Structured Clinical Examinations and the Year Four Long Case examinations; and
- iii. received a grade of CRS or higher in all courses in Years One to Four on first attempt.

3. SELECTION AND CONSTRAINTS

The selection committee will be appointed by the Director, School of Medicine and Psychology and shall include the:

- Clinical Skills Theme Lead (committee Chair)
- Phase 2 Associate Dean
- Phase 2 Clinical Skills Lead and
- Clinical Skills Coordinator.

- Assessment and Evaluation coordinator

The selection committee reserves the right to make no award if it considers there is no applicant of sufficient merit.

The prize shall not be shared. Where multiple nominees have achieved the same results in the Phase 2 assessments, the prize will go to the student who has achieved the most HLP grade in clinical assessments across years 1 to 4 for the program

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 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.

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 Chair of the 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 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

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

ANU Coursework Scholarship Procedure

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>