

The J.H. Michael Prize in Pure Mathematics Rules

Establishment

This prize has been established by a 1984 contribution to the University by former students, friends and colleagues of Dr J H Michael in recognition of his contribution to the discipline of Pure Mathematics. Dr Michael served the University in the years 1959 to 1983. The purpose of the Prize is to recognise and encourage talent in Pure Mathematics.

The capital for the prize is held in perpetuity resulting in the minimum annual prize distribution paid from the Endowment Fund.

Value

The value of the Prize will be \$1,000.00 per year, 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 Fund¹

Eligibility

The prize will be awarded annually by the University to a student who meets the following criteria:

- a) The student must be enrolled in the Bachelor of Mathematical and Computer Sciences or the Bachelor of Mathematical Sciences or the Bachelor of Mathematical Sciences (Advanced) or a double degree with a Bachelor of Mathematical and Computer Sciences component;
- b) The student must have completed 9 units of Level II courses taught by the School of Mathematical Sciences including both PURE MTH 2106 Algebra II and MATHS 2100 Real Analysis II;
- c) The student must have completed at least one of the above courses in the year for which the prize is awarded.

Selection of Candidate

The Head of the School of Mathematical Sciences or nominee will award the prize to the eligible student with the highest average mark in the 9 units of Level II courses specified above.

No one shall receive the prize more than once.

If there is no candidate of sufficient merit 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 instance, provision may be made for multiple prizes in subsequent years.

If there is more than one candidate of equal merit, then the prize shall 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.

Approved:

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Interim Deputy Vice-Chancellor & Vice-President
(Academic), Professor Jennie Shaw

Date: 22.3.21

¹ For further information on the University's Endowment Fund and the distribution of interest available please see the [Endowment Fund Investment Report](#)