

PROPOSAL FOR NEW STUDENT AWARD

**Rabobank Advanced Diploma of Horticulture (Production) Prize**

1. **Faculty Sponsoring the Proposal:**  
Institute of Land and Food Resources
2. **Title of Scholarship:**  
Rabobank Advanced Diploma of Horticulture (Production) Prize
3. **Value of the Scholarship:**  
One prize to be awarded annually in 2004 and 2005 to the value of \$500 each year to the 'Best First Year Student'. The prize is to be used to enable the winner to attend a horticulture conference within Australia.
4. **Donor:**  
Rabobank Australia Limited
5. **Period of Commitment by Donor:**  
Available for 2004 and 2005 in the first instance
6. **Eligibility:**  
To be eligible for the first year prize in March 2004 Students will have completed first year in the Advanced Diploma of Horticulture (Production) in 2003.  
  
To be eligible for the first year prize in March 2005 Students will have completed first year in the Advanced Diploma of Horticulture (Production) in 2004.
7. **Criteria for Selection:**  
For selection for the first year award the student with the highest aggregate assessment in their on campus and on farm competencies, completing their first year either in 2003 or 2004.
8. **Special Conditions:**  
Provision of a written report to faculty upon completion. The report will be of approx 500 words in length

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One prize to be awarded in July 2005 to the value of \$5,000. The prize is to be used towards airline tickets, accommodation and other expenses for an overseas trip. An organised itinerary visiting the appropriate International Rabobank Branch network and organised production horticultural enterprise visits within the student's preferred location after consultation with Rabobank.
4. **Donor:**  
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Available for 2005 in the first instance
6. **Eligibility:**  
To be awarded Dux of the course in 2005, students will graduate from the Advanced Diploma of Horticulture (Production) in July 2005.
7. **Criteria for Selection:**  
Selection is based principally on academic merit, with an interview to establish the recipients suitability as an ambassador.  
  
For selection of Dux of course, the student with the highest aggregate results as assessed in their on campus and on farm competencies throughout the course. Confirmation of the suitability of the awardee will be assessed by interview. At interview, the awardee must be conversant with production horticulture issues and hypothetical situations, and demonstrate communication skills in order to serve as an ambassador for the course and for the University.  
  
The Interview panel will comprise a representative of Advanced Diploma of Horticulture (Production) Industry Advisory Committee, a member of the production horticulture industry with production expertise and the Head, McMillan campus.
8. **Special Conditions:**  
Rabobank is the sole sponsor of the 'Dux of the Course - 2005' – Advanced Diploma of Horticulture (Production)
9. **Other:**  
Provision of a written report to faculty upon completion. The report will be of approx 1000 words in length