

UTR6.5 - THE DWIGHT PRIZES

Background

- A. By Will dated 13 January 1869, Henry Tolman Dwight (**Donor**) bequeathed all his real estate in the Colony of Victoria and the proceeds of his personal estate, on the death of his wife, to the University (**Bequest**) for the purpose of establishing a perpetual trust, the income of which was to be applied as follows –

‘ ...to divide the annual income thereof into money prizes of not less than twenty five pounds each to be given by the said trustees for the advancement and encouragement of learning in Ancient History Constitutional and Legal History and Natural Philosophy or for such other branches of the University education as the said trustees may in their discretion think the prizes most applicable and advantageous which several prizes it is my will and desire shall be called the ‘Dwight Prize’ in such said particular branch or branches of learning or others in which there shall be annual or other examinations and to which the said trustees shall judge such prizes beneficial as a stimulant to students and a fit reward to the ablest scholar competing therefor.’

- B. The Donor was a photographer, bookseller and publisher who migrated from London to Melbourne in 1855 and opened a bookshop at 234 Bourke Street Melbourne. He died on 13 June 1871.
- C. The University accepted the Bequest upon the trusts specified by the donor, and the bequest therefore became the capital subject to those trusts (Capital Sum).
- D. This University trust record is the means by which the University records –
- (1) the trusts specified by the Donor upon which the University as trustee holds trust property, including the Capital Sum; and
 - (2) the administrative arrangements for the implementation and ongoing performance of those trusts, as determined by the University from time to time.

The trust terms and administrative arrangements governing the Bequest are as follows.

Trust Terms

1. The Capital Sum, all income arising from the Capital Sum, and any accumulations and additions thereto together form a fund called ‘The Dwight Prizes’ (**Fund**).
2. The Fund is to be paid into one or more investment common funds and remain there until Council directs otherwise.

3. As trustee of the Fund, the University is obliged by the trusts specified by the donor-

(1) to establish a perpetual trust;

(2) to award prizes of not less than twenty five pounds each for the advancement and encouragement of learning in Ancient History Constitutional and Legal History and Natural Philosophy disciplines as determined by the University; and

(3) to call each prize a 'Dwight Prize'.

Administrative Arrangements

4. Until its further determination, and in order to implement the trust terms, the University has determined-

(1) to establish twelve prizes, each called a 'Dwight Prize' in the relevant subject for which it is awarded;

(2) that each 'Dwight Prize' will be-

(i) awarded annually in the following subjects

(ii) open to for competition on an annual basis as set out below

(iii) of the corresponding value as set out below, and

(iv) administered by the corresponding faculty as set out below

Discipline/ Subject	Faculty	Eligibility	Prize Value
Education	Melbourne Graduate School of Education	Awarded at the assessment in the course for the degree of master of Teaching (Secondary)	\$1,200
Genetics	Faculty of Science	Awarded at the assessment in subjects at the third-year level for students completing a major in genetics in the degrees of bachelor of Science or bachelor of Biomedicine, such subjects to be determined from time to time by the dean of the faculty of Science.	\$1,200

Discipline/ Subject	Faculty	Eligibility	Prize Value
Physics	Faculty of Science	Awarded to the student studying the degree bachelor of Science with the highest marks in the first year advanced level Physics subjects, such subjects to be determined by the dean of the faculty from time to time	\$1,200
Chemistry	Faculty of Science	Awarded to the student studying the degree bachelor of Science with the highest aggregate marks in first year Chemistry subjects, such subjects to be determined by the dean of the faculty from time to time	\$1,200
Mathematical Statistics	Faculty of Science	Open for competition among candidates at the final assessment in the degree of master of Science (Mathematics and Statistics)	\$1,200
History	Faculty of Arts	Awarded at the final assessment in the course for the degree of bachelor of Arts (degree with honours)	\$1,200
French	Faculty of Arts	Awarded at the final assessment in the course for the degree of bachelor of Arts (degree with honours)	\$1,200
English	Faculty of Arts	Awarded at the final examination in the course for the degree of bachelor of Arts (degree with honours)	\$1,200
Principles of Clinical Practice 2	Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences	Awarded to the student with the highest mark for the Objective Structured Clinical Exam assessment in the second year of the course for the course for the degree of Doctor of Medicine	\$1,200

Discipline/ Subject	Faculty	Eligibility	Prize Value
Veterinary Science	Faculty of Veterinary and Agricultural Sciences	Awarded to the student who receives the top marks for studies in the annual assessment in the second year of the course for the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine	\$1,200
Law (Constitutional or Legal History)	Melbourne Law School	Prize for a subject in the discipline of Constitutional or Legal History, such subject to be determined from time to time by the dean of Melbourne Law School	\$1,200
Law	Melbourne Law School	Prize for another subject in the discipline of Law, such subject to be determined from time to time by the dean of Melbourne Law School	\$1,200

(3) to establish seven prizes, each called a 'Dwight Final Assessment Prize', to be awarded annually to a candidate who is presenting in the relevant discipline at honours level for the first time, as follows –

Discipline or study area	Faculty	Eligibility	Prize Value
Economics	Faculty of Arts	Awarded for the final assessment among candidates who are studying for the degree of bachelor of Arts (honours)	\$1,200
Political Science	Faculty of Arts	Awarded for the final assessment among candidates who are studying for the degree of bachelor of Arts (honours)	\$1,200

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Psychology	Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences	Awarded for the final assessment among candidates who are studying for the degree of bachelor of Arts (honours), the degree of bachelor of Science (honours), the degree of bachelor of Biomedicine (honours), or the Graduate Diploma in Psychology (Advanced).	\$1,200
Fine Arts	Faculty of Arts	Awarded for the final assessment among candidates who are studying for the degree of bachelor of Arts (honours)	\$1,200
History and Philosophy of Science	Faculty of Arts	Awarded for the final assessment among candidates who are studying for the degree of bachelor of Arts (honours)	\$1,200
Geography	Faculty of Science	Awarded for the final assessment among candidates who are studying for the degree of bachelor of Arts (honours) or the degree of bachelor of Science (honours)	\$1,200
Linguistics	Faculty of Arts	Awarded for the final assessment among candidates who are studying for the degree of bachelor of Arts (honours)	\$1,200

(4) that two prizes each called the '**Dwight Final Examination Prize**', to be open for competition among those candidates who are presenting themselves for the first time in a combined honours course as follows –

Discipline or study area	Faculty	Eligibility	Prize Value
	Faculty of Arts	Awarded for the final assessment in combined honours courses for the bachelor of Arts (honours)	\$1,200

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5. As provided in section 43 of the Act, Council has delegated its power to make awards to the dean of the relevant faculty responsible for the administration of each of the prizes set out above, but this does not extend to Council's powers and responsibilities as set out in section 2.
6. The dean of each of the relevant faculties is authorised to award each prize on behalf of the University.

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