

COMPETITION TERMS

Schedule to the Terms

1. Competition	MCF Climate Prize
2. University	The University of Melbourne [ABN 84 002 705 224], of Parkville, Victoria 3010, Australia
3. Competition Website (clause 1)	https://www.unimelb.edu.au/climate/collaboration/mcf-climate-prize
4. Time Zone (clause 3)	Victoria, Australia
5. Competition Period (clause 4)	Competition Period commences: 12:01am on 9 February 2026
	Competition Period ends: 5:00pm on 1 April 2026
6. Entry Restrictions (clause 5)	<p>Eligibility: entry is only open to individuals who, during the Competition Period, are completing a Doctor of Philosophy or Master of Philosophy that encompasses climate and sustainability research at the University of Melbourne.</p> <p>Ineligibility: Undergraduate and coursework postgraduate students; Doctor of Philosophy and Master of Philosophy students undertaking their study at a university other than the University of Melbourne..</p>
7. Entry Method (clause 6)	<p>To enter the Competition, entrants must: summarise their thesis research in a live presentation no longer than four minutes long.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentations are limited to four minutes maximum and competitors exceeding four minutes are disqualified. • Presentations may be delivered in a format of your choosing (e.g., spoken word, poem, or song). • Presentations are considered to have commenced when a presenter starts their presentation through either movement or speech. • No more than three PowerPoint slides are permitted and are to be presented from the beginning of the oration. • No additional electronic media (e.g., sound and video files) are permitted.
8. Maximum Number	Each entrant may only enter the Competition once.

of Entries (clause 7)	
9. Use of Personal Information (clause 9(d))	In addition to clause 9, each entrant agrees that the University may: (a) provide their name and contact details to third parties named here only for the purpose of conducting the Competition and/or distributing the Prize: The Burrow at Wombat Bend.
10. Privacy Laws (clause 9)	<i>Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014 (Vic)</i>
11. Privacy Policy (clause 9)	https://policy.unimelb.edu.au/MPF1104
12. Privacy Contact Details (clause 9)	The University of Melbourne Department: Melbourne Climate Futures Name: Beth Barber Telephone number: +61 3 8344 8843 Email address: beth.barber@unimelb.edu.au
13. Content (clause 10)	Any materials submitted by an entrant via the Competition including but not limited to responses, comments, written material, presentations, recordings, video, blogs, images and prototypes .
14. Use of Competition Entry (clause 11(b))	[In addition to clause 11, each entrant licenses and grants the University and its affiliates a non-exclusive, fee-free, royalty-free, perpetual, world-wide, irrevocable and sub-licensable right to use, reproduce modify, adapt, publish and display their entry (including Content): (a) for all the University's ongoing promotional activities (such as regramming, advertising, marketing material, media releases, printed material, use on the University's website and social media channels), and includes promotional purposes not related to this Competition; (b) for all the University's promotional and educational purposes (such as local, national and conference, seminar and lecturer presentations), and includes educational activities not related to this Competition; (c) for all the University's reporting obligations (such as reporting to local, national and international external entities and individuals including governmental agencies, sponsors, partners, collaborators and stakeholders), and includes reporting activities not related to this Competition.
15. Judging Details (clause 14)	GAME OF SKILL This is a game of skill and chance plays no part in determining the Winner. The Competition entries will be judged based on creative merit and originality by a

	panel established by the University on 1 April 2026 at 700 Swanston St, Carlton, Victoria.
16. Winner (clause 14)	The Competition Winners are as follows: (a) 1 first-placed winning entrant; (b) 4 to 5 finalists
17. Prize (clause 15)	(a) The first-placed Winner will receive a gift card towards a writer's retreat at The Burrow at Wombat's End to the value of AUD\$1500 inclusive of all taxes; (b) Finalists will receive a \$50 gift card from Fifteen Trees, a organisation that will plan five (5) trees in their honour.
18. Winner Notification (clause 16)	Each Winner will be contacted in writing via their submitted contact details by 5:00pm on 8 April 2026.
19. Claim Prize (clause 17)	Each Winner must contact the University by 5:00pm on 15 April 2026 and: (a) confirm their email address to receive the Prize; or (b) collect the Prize in person by presenting proof of identity at an agreed time and location.
20. Replacement Winner (if required) (clause 18)	The re-selection of the Winner (if required) will take place in accordance with the same Judging Details as specified in item 15 of the Schedule on 30 April 2026.
21. Replacement Winner Notification (if required) (clause 18)	Any Replacement Winner will be contacted in writing via their submitted contact details by 5:00pm on 7 May 2026.
22. Replacement Winner Claim Prize (if required) (clause 18)	Any Replacement Winner must contact the University in accordance with the same Claim Prize requirements as specified in item 19 of the Schedule by 5:00pm on 14 May 2026.

General Terms

ENTRANTS

- By entering the Competition, you agree to be bound by the Terms of the Competition. The Terms governing the Competition include these General Terms, the Schedule to these Terms and any instructions relating to the Competition on the Competition Website. Only entries that comply with the Terms will be considered valid entries to this Competition.
- Any capitalised terms used in these General Terms have the meaning given in the Schedule, unless stated otherwise. In the event of any inconsistency between the Schedule to the Terms (**Schedule**) and

these General Terms, the Schedule will take precedence.

3. **Time Zone.** All times and dates in the Terms refer to the Time Zone in operation at the time of the Competition.
4. **Competition Period.** The Competition will be conducted during the Competition Period. The University is not responsible for any entry that is not received by the University during the Competition Period, for whatever reason. Incomplete or indecipherable entries will not be accepted.
5. **Entry Restrictions.** Eligibility to enter the Competition is subject to the Entry Restrictions. If entrants under the age of 18 are eligible to enter this Competition, they must have the consent of their parent or guardian to enter the Competition.
6. **Entry Method.** To enter the Competition, entrants must enter the Competition in accordance with the Entry Method (and any other entry details provided by the University on the Competition Website) during the Competition Period. If entrants are required to enter the Competition via a social media platform, each entrant must have an applicable social media account set to public during the Competition Period and must comply with the relevant social media terms and conditions.
7. **Maximum Number of Entries.** Entrants can enter the Competition up to the Maximum Number of Entries. Entries must be submitted separately and entry must individually meet the requirements in the Schedule and are subject to the Entry Restrictions.
8. Each entrant is responsible for their own travel and other costs associated with entering the Competition.
9. **Use of Personal Information.** By entering this Competition each entrant agrees that:
 - (a) the University may use their name and contact details for the purpose of conducting the Competition, including complying with its relevant regulatory obligations;
 - (b) the University may publish the Winner's name in compliance with its regulatory obligations in conducting this Competition;
 - (c) at the University's request, the Winner will take part in the University promotional activities which may include their name and image published in the University's promotional materials (such as the University's website, marketing materials, advertising, printed materials and social media channels) and for ongoing promotional activities not related to this Competition; and
 - (d) the University may use their personal information for the additional purposes identified in Use of Personal Information (item 9 of the Schedule).

Privacy Laws and Privacy Policy. Under Privacy Laws, 'personal information' means any recorded information or opinions (whether true or not) that identify an individual or allow an individual to be identified. The University is committed to protecting personal information provided by you in accordance with Privacy Laws. The University has a comprehensive privacy policy addressing issues relating to the use, collection, security and access to personal information available at the Privacy Policy. All information collected by the University is governed by the Privacy Policy. For further information about how the University deals with personal information, please refer to the Privacy Policy or contact the University's Privacy Officer at privacy-officer@unimelb.edu.au.

Privacy Contact Details. You may access any personal information you have provided by contacting the University staff member identified in the Privacy Contact Details.

10. **Content.** Entrants agree that they are fully responsible for any Content. The University is not liable in any way for such Content to the full extent permitted by law and may remove or decline to publish any Content without notice for any reason whatsoever. Entrants warrant and agree that:
- (a) they will not submit any Content that is unlawful or fraudulent, or that the University may deem in breach of any intellectual property, privacy, publicity or other rights, defamatory, obscene, derogatory, pornographic, sexually inappropriate, violent, abusive, harassing, threatening, objectionable with respect to race, religion, origin or gender, not suitable for children under 14, or otherwise unsuitable for publication;
 - (b) their Content shall not contain viruses or cause injury or harm to any person or entity;
 - (c) they will obtain prior consent from any person who, or from the owner(s) of any property that, appears in their Content;
 - (d) the Content is the original work of the entrant that does not infringe the rights of any third party or otherwise they will obtain full prior consent from any person who has jointly created or has any rights in the Content to the uses contemplated by these Terms, and the Content does not infringe the rights of any third party;
 - (e) they consent to any use of the Content which may otherwise infringe the Content creator's/creators' moral rights pursuant to the *Copyright Act 1968* (Cth) and warrant that they have the full authority to grant these rights; and
 - (f) they will comply with all applicable laws and regulations, including without limitation, those governing copyright, content, defamation, privacy, publicity and the access or use of others' computer or communication systems.

Without limiting any other terms herein, the entrant agrees to indemnify the University for any breach of the above terms.

11. **Use of Competition Entry.** As a condition of entering this Competition, each entrant licenses and grants the University and its affiliates a non-exclusive, fee-free, royalty-free, perpetual, world-wide, irrevocable and sub-licensable right to use their entry (including Content) for:
- (a) the purposes of conducting and promoting the Competition; and
 - (b) the additional purposes identified in Use of Competition Entry (item 14 of the Schedule).

The University will not enter into commercial arrangements or directly profit from the licence.

12. If this Competition is interfered with in any way or is not capable of being conducted as reasonably anticipated due to any reason beyond the reasonable control of the University, including but not limited to technical difficulties, unauthorised intervention or fraud, the University reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to the fullest extent permitted by law:
- (a) to disqualify any entrant; or

(b) to modify, suspend, terminate or cancel the Competition, as the University deems appropriate.

13. Except for any liability that cannot by law be excluded, including any statutory consumer guarantees provided under the consumer protection laws of Australia, the University (including its respective officers, employees and agents) excludes all liability (including negligence) for any personal injury, or any loss or damage (including loss of opportunity), whether direct, indirect, special or consequential, arising in any way out of the Competition.

WINNER

14. **Judging Details and Winner.** The Winner will be determined from the valid Competition entries received by the University in accordance with the Judging Details.
15. **Prize.** The Prize will be awarded as specified in the Schedule. The Prize values are the recommended retail value as provided by the relevant supplier, are in Australian dollars, are correct as at the time of the commencement of the Competition Period and are inclusive of all taxes. If the Prize is in the form of a gift voucher the Winner must comply with the gift voucher's terms and conditions. The Winner must claim the Prize in accordance with Claim Prize. Please allow at least 28 days from the date of notification for the delivery of the Prize. Transport to claim the prize is not part of the prize and is the sole responsibility of the Winner. The Prize cannot be exchanged or redeemed for other goods, services, cash or credit. If, for some reason the Prize is unavailable, the University reserves the right to substitute the Prize for a prize of equal or greater value.
16. **Winner Notification.** The Winner will be notified in accordance with Winner Notification. The Winner may also be announced in accordance with clause 9(b) above.
17. **Claim Prize.** If the Winner does not comply with these Terms and/or does not claim the Prize in accordance with Claim Prize, the University reserves the right to select a replacement winner from the remaining valid entries in accordance with clause 14 above.
18. **Replacement Winner.** If a winner re-selection is required, the selection of the replacement winner will be conducted by the University in accordance with Replacement Winner. The Replacement Winner will be notified in accordance with Replacement Winner Notification. The Replacement Winner may also be announced in accordance with clause 9(b) above. The Replacement Winner must claim the Prize in accordance with Replacement Winner Claim Prize.
19. The entrants are not agents of The University of Melbourne and must not convey that impression to anyone.
20. The result of the Competition is final and no correspondence will be entered into.