



THE MICHAEL SMYTH MEMORIAL PRIZE

In memory of the late Dr Michael Ewers Bayne Smyth, a member of the staff of the Zoology Department, the prize encourages original thought and clear expression amongst students in Zoology.

The prize is awarded to the student with the highest grade for the Honours degree of Bachelor of Science in the discipline of zoology.

Prize recipients

Year	
2020	Darcy Whittaker
2019	Brittany Williams
2018	Katherine Hill
2017	Jacob Avey Maher
2016	Vedrana Bosiocic
2015	Not awarded

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Rules

In 1974 a sum of money was donated to the University by the family and friends of the late Dr. Michael Ewers Bayne Smyth, a member of the staff of the Zoology Department for nine years, to establish a prize in his memory for the encouragement of original thought and clear expression among students specialising in any branch of Zoology.

This is an endowed prize with the capital held in the University's Endowment Fund¹ and the income distribution each year used to fund the prize.

The following rules now apply:

1. A prize, to be known as 'The Michael Smyth Memorial Prize', shall be available for award annually.
2. The value of the prize shall be \$500 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 Fund.
3. The prize shall be awarded to the student with the highest grade for the Honours degree of Bachelor of Science in the discipline of zoology.
4. If two or more students obtain an equal aggregate score then the prize shall be shared equally amongst them.
5. If in any year there is no candidate or sufficient merit for the prize, the prize shall not be awarded.
6. Any surplus income which is not awarded as part of this prize shall be added to the capital sum in the Endowment Fund from time to time.
7. The University may vary the rules from time to time in a manner consistent with the University's legal obligations and [policies](#).

Rules approved by Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Vice-President (Academic) 17 August 2016

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