

UTR1.220 - PETER BROOKER CONFERENCE TRAVEL PRIZE IN MATHEMATICAL GEOLOGY RULES

Background

- A. By Deed of Gift dated 27 June 2017, Dr Peter Ian Brooker BSc 1965, BSc (Hons) 1966, PhD (Mathematical Physics) 1970, donated \$60,000 to the University to establish a prize to recognise excellence in Geostatistics and Mathematical Geology in the fields of Geology, Geophysics, Engineering, Mathematics and Statistics.
- B. The University will invest the Gift in perpetuity and use the income from the Gift to establish the "Peter Brooker Conference Travel Prize in Mathematical Geology" to support students to present at international or national conferences. Any unexpended income arising from the Gift in any year may be retained as income and be available in a subsequent year for the Purpose. Alternatively, unexpended income may be added to the capital of the Gift.
- C. The University accepted the donation upon the trusts specified by the donor and the donation therefore became the capital subject to those trusts ('capital sum').

Name of the fund

1. The capital sum, all income arising from the capital sum and any accumulations and additions thereto together form a fund called 'The Peter Brooker Conference Travel Prize in Mathematical Geology' ('fund').

Investment of the fund

2. The fund is to be amalgamated for the purposes of investment, and held in a common fund, and the net income earned by the common fund shall be credited, rateably, to the funds so amalgamated and thereafter distributed according to the wishes of the donor.

Obligations

3. In administering the fund, the University must adhere to the terms specified and is obliged:-
 - (a) to invest the capital sum according to the directions of the donor; and
 - (b) to establish a prize in the manner described in the following Rules.

Rules

Value and Disbursement

1. The value of the Prize will be determined annually by the Executive Dean (or nominee) but will be up to \$3,000 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 Fund.
2. Only one Prize will be awarded each year.
3. It will be awarded to support expenses for a student to present verbally at an international conference.
4. The funds are to be used to cover travel and conference costs only and are not be

used to assist in the funding of any miscellaneous activities.

Eligibility

5. The prize will be awarded annually by the University to an enrolled postgraduate research student working on a problem in Mathematical Geology.
6. The student will be using significant mathematical techniques to address a problem in the earth sciences.
7. Students enrolled in Geology, Geophysics, Engineering, Mathematics and Statistics will be eligible.

Selection of Candidate

8. The Executive Dean, Engineering and Mathematical Science or his nominee will award the prize to the student who is deemed to have the best paper for presentation at an international conference.
9. If there are no candidates of sufficient merit in any given year, the prize will not be awarded in that year.
10. The Prize shall be awarded to the student who is deemed by the Selection Panel to have the best overall paper for presentation at an international conference.
11. Applications for the Prize must be accompanied by a detailed Travel Plan, budget, draft abstract of the presentation and a supporting statement from their principal supervisor.

Administration

12. The Prize will be administered by the Faculty ECMS.
13. All travel under the Prize will be booked according to the University's Travel and Entertainment Policy and Procedures.
14. The University will pay relevant expenses prior to attendance at the conference or the Prize funds will be used to reimburse the recipient of the relevant costs (after their travel).

Acknowledgement

15. The prize will be acknowledged in the paper presented at the conference by the recipient.

Variations

16. The University may vary the rules from time to time in a manner consistent with the original objectives of the Prize.