The Murray Writing Up Support Grant

Terms and Conditions

1. Background

a. The Murray Writing Up Support Grant is awarded to PhD students to encourage and assist students who are finalising papers or writing fellowship applications.

b. This Prize is funded by donation from a bequest by Dr Patrick Murray.

2. Eligibility Criteria

a. To be considered eligible for this Prize, students must have been enrolled in a PhD with the School of Life and Environmental Sciences.

b. The Applicant must have submitted their PhD thesis between their earliest and latest submission date as defined by the University of Sydney (Higher Degree by Research) Rule 2011.

c. The Applicant must have completed their thesis work in whole organism biology either in the fields of Biology, Zoology, Ecology, Evolution, Conservation or Wildlife Biology.

d. The Applicant must have submitted their PhD thesis within the eligible thesis submission dates outlined in the advertisement for this prize.

e. An Applicant who have applied previously for this Prize will not be eligible to apply.

3. Selection Criteria

a. The Prize will be awarded based on:

   I. academic merit (no more than 500 words),
   II. research outputs,
   III. personal statement detailing the ways in which the MWUS grant will advance the student’s career prospects (no more than 500 words), and
   IV. proposal for a skill transfer workshop/event for other PhD students to pass on useful skills (no more than 500 words).

b. Preference will be given to an applicant who has not held full-time employment between completing their thesis and the closing date of this application.

c. The successful applicant will be awarded the Prize by a selection committee, nominated by the Head of School of School of Life and Environmental Sciences, or their nominated delegate(s).

4. Value

a. This Prize has a value of $13,000 and will be paid in two equal instalments.
b. The first amount will be paid upon award. The second amount will be paid two months after the first payment.

c. No other amount is payable.

d. The Prize will be awarded subject to the availability of funds.

5. Ongoing Eligibility
a. None apply.

6. Termination
a. The University reserves the right to withdraw the Prize, if the University determines that the student is guilty of serious misconduct, including, but not limited to, having provided false or misleading information that has a relationship to the awarding of this Prize.

b. Once withdrawn the Prize will not be reinstated.