

School of Computer Science Social Impact Prize

Terms and Conditions

1. Background

- a. The School of Computer Science Social Impact Prize is awarded to an individual or team who showcase software they have worked on in the past year that can help people in some way and could have a major impact on the economy, society, environment and/or culture.
- b. This Prize is funded by a donation to the School of Computer Science.

2. Eligibility Criteria

a. To be considered eligible for this Prize, students must have been enrolled in 2021 in the final year of their undergraduate or honours degree in the School of Computer Science (i.e. Bachelor of Advanced Computing, Bachelor of Information Technology, Bachelor of Computer Science and Technology, Bachelor of Computer Science and Technology, Bachelor of Computer Science and Technology (Advanced)) within the Faculty of Engineering, University of Sydney.

3. Selection Criteria

- a. The Prize will be awarded on the basis of:
 - I. A personal statement demonstrating how their software is innovative. The statement should address the following key points: potential technological impact, advancement of knowledge, demonstration of creative thought, and ability to convert theory into practice, and
 - II. A personal statement demonstrating how the software could contribute to the economy, society, environment and/or culture. The statement should address the following key points: Potential government/business/community savings, significant improvement in a person's life and/or any direct health benefits which could result in savings at a personal and/or national level.
- b. Shortlisted finalists will be invited to give a 15-minute presentation to the selection committee.
- c. The prize will be awarded by the Deputy Head of School of Computer Science (Education), or their nominated delegates.

4. Value

- a. This Prize has a value of \$5,000 and will be paid as a one-off payment.
- b. If the prize is awarded to a team the value will be shared equally amongst recipients.
- 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- b. Once withdrawn the Prize will not be reinstated.