THE CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE PRIZES FOR CHINESE LANGUAGE STUDENTS

Background

Whereas the Confucius Institute at the University of Adelaide, with the mission of increasing understanding of Chinese language and culture in the South Australian community, has donated the sum of $14,000 to encourage and support students studying Chinese at the Centre for Asian Studies.

Rules

1. There will be 7 prizes under the title of ‘The Confucius Institute Chinese Language Prize’.
2. The total value of each prize shall be $100 in the first instance.
3. The value may be raised or lowered at the discretion of the Director of the Confucius Institute in line with increased returns from further capital injections.
4. A prize shall be awarded annually by the Confucius Institute to 7 students; one from each of the following categories:
   a. Merit Prizes
      (i) A student who has completed both Chinese IA and Chinese IB and who shows by his/her academic performance to be the most outstanding student.
      (ii) A student who has completed both Chinese IIA and Chinese IIB or Chinese ISA and Chinese ISB and who shows by his/her academic performance to be the most outstanding student.
      (iii) A student who has completed both Chinese IIIA and Chinese IIB or Chinese IISA and Chinese IISB and who shows by his/her academic performance to be the most outstanding student.
   b. Achievement Prizes
      (i) A student who has completed both Chinese IA and Chinese IB and in the opinion of the selection panel has demonstrated the highest level of commitment, enthusiasm and potential for mastering the Chinese language.
      (ii) A student who has completed both Chinese IIA and Chinese IIB or Chinese ISA and Chinese ISB and in the opinion of the selection panel has demonstrated the highest level of commitment, enthusiasm and potential for mastering the Chinese language.
      (iii) A student who has completed both Chinese IIIA and Chinese IIB or Chinese IISA and Chinese IISB and in the opinion of the selection panel has demonstrated the highest level of commitment, enthusiasm and potential for mastering the Chinese language.
   c. Advanced Chinese Prize
      (i) A student who has completed both Advanced Chinese A and Advanced Chinese B and in the opinion of the selection panel has demonstrated excellent achievement and the highest level of commitment, enthusiasm and potential for mastering the Chinese language.
5. If the selection panel deem that two or more candidates in any category are of equal merit, the prize shall be divided equally among the candidates.

6. If one student is identified as worthy of both the Merit and Achievement Prizes, that student will be awarded the Merit Prize and the Achievement Prize will be awarded to the second placed candidate for the Achievement Prize.

7. The selection panel will be convened by the Director of the Confucius Institute and will consist of not less than three representatives from the Centre for Asian Studies.

8. If, in any particular year, the examiners consider that no candidate is suitable for a prize, then no award shall be made.

9. These rules may be varied from time to time but the title and purpose of the prizes shall not be changed.

10. Responsibility for convening and administering the prizes will revert to the Head of the Centre for Asian Studies if the Confucius Institute ceases.