

The League of Nations Prize Rules

Background

In 1923, Tom Elder Barr Smith gave the University £100 to establish an annual prize for an essay connected with the work of the League of Nations.

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 apply:-

1. There shall be a prize of \$1,000 called "The League of Nations Prize".
2. The prize shall be awarded for the best essay on a topic connected with the work of the League of Nations. Essays must be no less than 3,500 but no more than 6,000 words in length (including references, tables graphs etc).
3. A competition shall be held for the prize, open to undergraduates of the University of Adelaide who are enrolled at the University at the date fixed for sending in essays.
4. The competition and prize will be administered by the Faculty of Arts.
5. The Head of Politics and International Relations (or nominee), along with one other academic staff member of the Department of Politics and International Relations shall determine the winner of the competition from the essays submitted.
6. The prize shall not be awarded more than once to the same person, nor shall an award be made in any year if, in the opinion of Head of Politics and International Relations (or nominee), no essay of sufficient merit has been submitted. If an award is not made in any given year then the annual income distribution available from the Endowment Fund for that year may be used in a subsequent year or added to the capital sum, as determined by the Head of Politics and International Relations.
7. The University may vary the rules from time to time in a manner consistent with the University's legal obligations and policies.

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