

## Marian Cranwell Prize

<b>Code:</b>	P721
<b>Faculty:</b>	Science
<b>Applicable study:</b>	Environmental or ecological science
<b>Closing date:</b>	By nomination
<b>Tenure:</b>	Prize
<b>For:</b>	Prize
<b>Number on offer:</b>	One
<b>Offer rate:</b>	Annually
<b>Value:</b>	\$3,600

### Description

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This Prize was established in 1975 by a donation from Lucy Cranwell Smith (Mrs Watson Smith) who graduated Master of Arts and Doctor of Science of the University of New Zealand from Auckland University College. The award honours the donor's mother, Mrs Benjamin F Cranwell (born Marian Vellenoweth) who lived out her 83 years by tidewater at St Heliers, Henderson, and Parnell, and who in her time knew many of the early settlers of the Waitakeres.

The principal aim of the Prize is to encourage research writing which has as its subject issues concerned with the environment and ecological sciences.

### Selection process

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- Nomination is made to the Scholarships Office

The Prize will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the selection panel

### Regulations

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1. The Prize will be known as the Marian Cranwell Prize.
2. One Prize will be awarded annually and will be of the value of \$3,600.
3. The Prize will be awarded annually to the student who, in the opinion of the selection panel, completed the best thesis or dissertation focussing on the areas of environmental or ecological science, including the cultural history of environmental areas, in fulfilment of the requirements for a masters or PhD degree.
4. To be eligible for consideration, the thesis or dissertation must have been submitted and examined in accordance with University regulations, and the award of the degree approved between 1 January and 31 December of the previous year.
5. Nominations must be made to the selection panel through the department in which the student was enrolled, and should include the thesis or dissertation extract, and supporting statements from the student's supervisor (see Note 1).
6. The Prize will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a selection panel comprising the Head of the School of Biological Sciences (or nominee) and the Head of the School of Environment

(or nominee).

7. In the event of a tie, the Head of the School of Biological Sciences and the Head of the School of Environment shall determine if the Prize may be shared.
8. Having been awarded a Prize, a writer will not be eligible for one during the following two years.
9. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there is no candidate that meets the criteria and/or no candidate of sufficient merit.
10. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Prize.
11. Note [I] below is deemed to be a regulation.

## Notes

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- I. Supporting statements for the nomination should include any awards or distinctions received during the candidature, papers published, and outline the novelty and contribution of the thesis to the research field.*