Lamson Prize in Child Language and Literacy

**Description**

The Prize was established in 1999 and is financed from a gift made by a former student and staff member of the University of Auckland.

The main purpose of the Prize is to reward excellence in the study of child language and literacy and to encourage interest in research with a focus on linguistics and on the language and literacy needs of children in New Zealand and the near Pacific.

**Selection process**

- Nomination is made to the Scholarships Office
- The Prize will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of the Dean of the Faculty of Education and Social Work

**Regulations**

1. The Prize will be known as the Lamson Prize in Child Language and Literacy.
2. One Prize will be awarded annually and will be of the value of $500.
3. The Prize will be awarded annually to the student enrolled full-time in postgraduate study at the University of Auckland who has shown distinguished performance in an advanced course associated with language learning or literacy offered in the Faculty of Education and Social Work, for example: EDPROFST 702, 703, 705 and 707. As a minimum standard the student must have achieved an A- grade. In the event of a tie, the Prize will be awarded to the student who achieved the highest grade point average (GPA) across their best 60 points from EDPROFST 702, 703, 705 and 707.
4. The Prize will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of the Dean of the Faculty of Education and Social Work (or nominee).
5. The Prize may not be shared.
6. 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.
7. The University of Auckland can amend or vary these Regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Prize.