Philip Sidney Ardern Memorial Prize

**Code:** P748  
**Faculty:** Arts  
**Applicable study:** Stage III of a BA in English  
**Closing date:** By nomination  
**Tenure:** Prize  
**For:** Prize  
**Number on offer:** 1  
**Offer rate:** Annually  
**Value:** $450

**Description**

The Prize was established in 1967 by a donation of $500 from Miss A.M. Ardern in memory of her brother, the late Philip Sidney Ardern, who was lecturer and Associate-Professor in English at Auckland University College from 1912 to 1947, and was augmented by subscriptions from his friends and former pupils and colleagues.

The aim of the Prize is principally to stimulate the study of Old and Middle English, but, in view of Professor Ardern’s wide range of literary interests, is not confined to these topics.

**Selection process**

- Nomination is made to the Scholarships Office
- The Prize is awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Head of the School of Humanities.

**Regulations**

1. The Prize will be known as the Philip Sidney Ardern Memorial Prize.
2. The value of the Prize will be $450.
3. The purpose of the Prize is to encourage literary studies and in particular studies in Old and Middle English.
4. The Prize will be awarded to the student who has achieved the best academic record in courses at Stage III level towards a major in English.
5. The Prize will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the receipt of the recommendation of the Head of the School of Humanities.
6. The University of Auckland Council will not be bound to make an award in a particular year if there is no candidate of sufficient merit.
7. In the event of a tie, the Head of the School of Humanities, together with the Subject Coordinator, shall determine if the Prize may be shared.
8. The University of Auckland Council has the power to amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Prize.