

Office for Institutional Advancement

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Dear Graduate

Re: University Prizes

At graduation the University presents a number of prizes to celebrate student achievement. These fall into two categories:

- Prizes based on your academic performance
- Prizes based on other criteria relating to personal qualities or achievements in areas of student life outside the programme of study.

The University welcomes nominations or self-nominations for prizes which are awarded for personal qualities or achievements in areas outside the programme of study.

The C & B Rouse Award

This prize will be awarded to a student who meets one or more of the following criteria:

- Contribution to University life
- Overcoming particular obstacles to complete their studies
- Contribution to the local community, for example voluntary service.

Hilary Wild Prize

This prize will be awarded to a student who fulfils the following criteria:

- Making a particularly great effort to complete degree studies, for example achievement in the face of adverse circumstances or whilst sustaining significant personal responsibilities.

Vice Chancellor Prize for Global Citizenship

A prize to be awarded to a final year student at York St John in recognition of their contribution to the global international community.

A student will demonstrate international contribution by engagement with one or more of the following typical activities:

- Promoting international understanding at the University through committee work, work as a warden or in the Students' Union
- Work outside the country in support of the University/University Mission
- Relevant voluntary work at home or abroad.

Vice Chancellor Prize for Student Business Entrepreneurship

A prize to be awarded to a final year student at York St John who has made a substantial contribution to either their own or another business enterprise.

A student will demonstrate business entrepreneurship by engaging with one or more of the following typical activities:

- Starting or developing a business as a student
- Activities while on a work placement module for the University
- Activities within paid employment
- Proactive engagement with a future career.

Vice Chancellor Prize for Student Community Entrepreneurship

A prize to be awarded to the final year student at York St John who has made a substantial contribution to community action, service or development.

A student will demonstrate community entrepreneurship by engaging with one or more of the following typical activities:

- A community-based placement
- Work within a faith-based community
- Volunteering
- Community fundraising
- Any other action to develop or provide a service to either the York community or the home community of a student.

Vice Chancellor Prize for Student Cultural Entrepreneurship

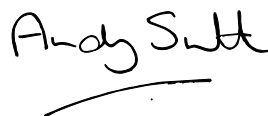
A prize to be awarded to a final year student at York St John who has made a substantial contribution to the development and promotion of arts/cultural activities.

A student will demonstrate cultural entrepreneurship by engaging with one or more of the following typical cultural activities:

- Arts performances for the public
- Public exhibitions or commissions of art and design work
- Promotion of community arts events and services
- Book, video or CD production and publication.

If you would like to nominate a fellow graduate or put yourself forward for one of these prizes please send a letter of nomination via email to Brett Arnall (b.arnall@yorks.ac.uk) setting out how the criteria are met by 1 August 2009.

Yours sincerely



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