SENATE REGULATION 8 (August 2014 onwards):
University Prizes and Academic Dress

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UNIVERSITY PRIZES

1. In the event of there being no candidate of sufficient merit for any prize, it shall not be awarded.

Undergraduate Students

University Medals

2. University Prizes shall take the form of engraved solid silver medals and shall be awarded annually to students in the final year of an undergraduate programme leading to the award of an honours degree.

3. Each Department shall be permitted to nominate one prize winner at the end of each academic session to the student with the best overall average mark at the end of their undergraduate honours degree programme.

4. Prize winners shall, normally, be nominated by the appropriate Boards of Examiners. Nominations should be sent by the Chair of the Board to the appropriate Head of Department (or his/her nominee), who, when all nominations have been received, will identify the students to whom the awards shall be made, and notify both the Academic Registrar, and the students concerned, of the awards.

5. A Department may make only one award each session for each prize irrespective of the number of programmes for which it is responsible.

Bishop Memorial Prize

6. The Bishop Memorial Prize was established in 1990 in memory of Brunel's late Vice-Chancellor, Professor Richard Bishop and is awarded to a student in the Engineering and Design for exemplary academic performance and outstanding contribution to the life of the University. Nominations are invited from each Department (the Departments of Electronic and Computer Engineering, Department of Mechanical, Aerospace and Civil Engineering, Department of Design) in June each year and are considered by a Prize Jury. The prize comprises a cheque to the value of £500.

Peter Swain Memorial Prize

7. The Peter Swain Memorial Prize is awarded annually to the undergraduate or postgraduate student who has made the most outstanding contribution to the cultural, social or sporting life of the University in his or her programme of study. The Prize consists of a silver medal and a certificate. Nominations are invited from Colleges in June each year and are considered by a Prize Jury. The prize comprises a solid silver medal and a certificate.

Trier Prize

8. The Margaret Trier Memorial Prize was established by the late Dr Peter Trier, a former Chairman of the University Council and Pro-Chancellor, in 1999, in memory of his late wife. The Trier Prize is awarded annually to a female student from any discipline graduating with a first degree, who has demonstrated outstanding ability in mathematics in their final year project. Nominations are
invited from Colleges in June each year and are considered by a Prize Jury. The prize comprises a cheque to the value of £200.

**Ede and Ravenscroft Prize**

9. Ede and Ravenscroft, the University’s robe-makers, currently sponsor an annual prize of £1,000 which is awarded to a Level 2 undergraduate student at Brunel University prior to his/her final year of study.

**Research students**

10. The Vice-Chancellor shall award five prizes in each academic session for doctoral research students. The title of the prize shall be the ‘Vice-Chancellor’s Prize for Doctoral Research’.

11. Colleges shall nominate up to three research students for the prize each session.

12. All home and overseas students awarded a doctoral research degree in the current academic session shall be eligible if their thesis was submitted within the maximum period of registration for their mode of study.

13. Each prize winner will receive a cheque for £500 and a certificate (produced by the Registry).

14. Deans of Colleges (or their nominated representative) shall forward nominations, including supporting statements, to the Director of Postgraduate Research in the Graduate School by the closing date each year. Any student recommended for award after the closing date shall be eligible for consideration the following year.

15. A Panel, chaired by the Vice-Principal (Research) shall select the candidates to be recommended to the Vice-Chancellor for award of prizes on the basis of research excellence evidenced by research papers or other output.

**The Walduck Prize for Research Impact**

16. The Walduck Prize for Research Impact was established in 2010 by Mr Richard Walduck OBE, Head of the Imperial Hotels Group. The Walduck Prize is awarded annually to a research student who has shown research excellence as evidenced by research papers or their outputs. Additionally, students should demonstrate potential in impact arising from the research; this could include economic, but could also be impact in changing thoughts or perceptions, activity or environment. Nominations are invited from Deans of Colleges on behalf of supervisors, and will be considered by a Panel, chaired by the Vice-Principal (Research) or nominee. The Prize comprises a cheque to the value of £500.

**All students**

**Jock McKeon Prize for Inspirational Leadership**

17. The Jock McKeon Prize for Inspirational Leadership was established in 2011 by family and friends in memory of Mr Jock McKeon, a former Student Union President. The Prize is to be awarded annually to a final year undergraduate or
postgraduate student (in the case of a postgraduate research student this shall be a student with a leaving date during the last year), who has demonstrated leadership skills, or who has inspired others in their social, academic or professional development during their time at the University. Nominations are invited from Colleges, the Students’ Union, and other University departments, and will be considered by the Prizes Panel. The Prize consists of a cheque to the value of £500.

Alumni

Alumnus of the Year

18. The Alumnus of the Year Award will be open to all former students graduating in recent years, who can be identified as achieving notable success either in their careers or in other non-work activities. Nominations will be sought from the alumni body, and the final selection made by a panel comprising the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Strategy, Development, and External Relations), the Director of External Affairs, a member of the Union of Brunel Students and an alumnus.

SCHEME OF ACADEMIC DRESS


   Gown          Black stuff, Cambridge shape but without open forearm seam.
   Epitage       Black artificial silk with 0.5” turning of Brunel blue velvet all round, inside and out. Trimmed with blue velvet covered button and attached to left shoulder of gown.
   Hat           Black cloth mortar board.

20. Non-degree awards (e.g. Certificate of Higher Education, Diploma of Higher Education, Postgraduate Diploma) (From July 1999)

   Gown          Black, undergraduate style gown trimmed with Brunel blue velvet ribbon 1” wide on front facings and yoke.
   Hat           Black cloth mortar board.

21. First Degree

   Gown          Black stuff, Cambridge shape but without open forearm seam.
   Hood          Special simple shape of black stuff, fully lined white and faced inside 1.5” with Brunel blue velvet. Reversed band showing blue in front.
Hat: Black cloth mortar board.

22. First Higher Degree

Gown: Black stuff, Cambridge shape but with bottom of hanging sleeve cut straight.

Hood: Cambridge shape, Brunel blue outside, lined silver and faced inside 2.5\" with Brunel blue velvet.

Hat: Black cloth mortar board.

23. Second Higher Degrees (PhD, DBA) (for degrees conferred before June 1996)

Gown: Mushroom Oxford shape, with 4\" facings and 4\" cuffs of Brunel blue velvet.

Hood: Cambridge shape, mushroom outside, lined and edged scarlet, faced inside 3.5\" with Brunel blue velvet.

Hat: Black cloth bonnet, scarlet cord and tassel.


Gown: Mid blue panama in traditional London style with 2\" gold silk facings, edged with 1\" scarlet ribbon. Self-lined mid blue panama sleeves. Sleeves and yoke trimmed with scarlet cord and button.

Hood: Mid blue panama in full shape with square cape, fully lined and edged 1\" cape only in gold silk. Cowl edged inside with 1\" scarlet ribbon. Neck band to show blue panama to the front.

Hat: Black cloth bonnet, scarlet cord and tassel.

25. Third Higher Degrees (DUniv [Hon only], DD, DEd, DEng, DHum, DLit, DMus, DSc, DSocSci, DTech, LLD)

Gown: Scarlet, Oxford shape, with 6\" facings and 7\" cuffs in Brunel blue velvet.

Hood: Cambridge shape, scarlet outside, lined and edged gold and faced inside 4.5\" with Brunel blue velvet.
Hat Black velvet bonnet, gold cord and tassel.

26. Degree of MUniv (Hon only)

Gown Black, Oxford shape, with 5" facings and 5" cuffs in Brunel blue velvet.

Hood Cambridge shape black outside silver lining and faced inside 3.5" with Brunel blue velvet.

Hat Black cloth mortar board

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