ARTHUR FERCH PRIZE for HEBREW STUDIES

Purpose of the Prize

Dr Arthur Ferch was a lecturer in the Avondale College Department of Theology from 1971 until 1984 (now the Avondale Seminary) where he specialised in teaching Old Testament studies. During 2000 his son took steps to establish a prize, the Arthur Ferch Prize for Hebrew Studies, for the second-year student who achieves the best grade in Hebrew to commemorate Dr Ferch's appreciation for the Hebrew Bible, and to encourage students to develop a love for the text in its original languages.

Selection Criteria

The prize will be awarded based solely on academic achievement in the second-year BA (Ministry & Theology) subjects *Hebrew A*, and *Pentateuch*.

Administration of Prize

- 1. Each year the Prizes Coordinator will confer with the sponsor regarding continuing sponsorship.
- 2. Any changes to the criteria will be forwarded by the Prizes Coordinator to the Scholarships and Prizes Committee, and once approved, will be uploaded to the Avondale website.
- 3. Nominations for the prize shall be made by the Head of School in consultation with the lecturers in this field and will include a review of the nominee's academic record.
- 4. In the absence of a student who fits the criteria, a prize may not be granted. In the event of one or more students equally qualifying for the prize, the prize may be shared between students.
- 5. The name/s will be presented to the Learning and Teaching Committee for final approval.

Sponsorship

The prize is sponsored by the family and friends of Dr Arthur Ferch and shall be provided by way of a pre-paid gift card to the value of \$1,000. The sponsor will transfer this amount annually to a nominated Avondale account.

Presentation of Prize

The prize will be presented during the year-end graduation ceremony. Prize recipients who are not graduating in the current year will receive their prize at the *Welcome to Avondale* ceremony at the commencement of the next academic year.

Citation

The ARTHUR FERCH PRIZE FOR HEBREW STUDIES

is awarded

to a second year Theology student who scores highest in first semester Hebrew

and second semester Old Testament studies where Hebrew is applied

This prize has been generously sponsored by Dr Carole Ferch Johnson and family

and is awarded to [name of recipient]