Award type: medal

Governor General's Academic Medals (Silver and Bronze)

The Governor General offers five medals annually to The University of Manitoba: three silver medals to undergraduate students who achieve the highest academic standing in a Bachelor degree program, one bronze to the student who achieves the highest standing in the Diploma Agriculture program, and one bronze to any other diploma program student who achieves the highest standing in their program (other than Agriculture). Two silver medals and two bronze medals will be offered at the Annual Spring Convocation and one silver medal will be offered at the Annual Fall Convocation.

The criteria specified for these medals include the following terms:

- (1) It is the responsibility of the educational institution to determine a clear winner every year and to resolve academic ties.
- (2) It is the responsibility of each educational institution to ensure that medals are presented to recipients at a suitable ceremony, normally graduation or convocation, by an individual sufficiently senior to emphasize the level from which the medal emanates. Medals are presented on behalf of, and in the name of, the Governor General.
- (3) In the event of non-award at a particular institution in a given year, the medal is returned to the Chancellery [Honours Directorate].

At The University of Manitoba, the selection committee for the silver medals and one bronze medal will be Financial Aid and Awards. The selection committee for the bronze medal in Agriculture will be the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences Awards Committee. Final selection for the medals will be based solely on academic achievement, specifically on the degree grade point average on all courses taken to qualify for the respective Bachelor's degree or diploma.

Two silver medals will be awarded to students who have completed a degree program considered to be at least four years in length (inclusive of any qualifying year or years), one at the Annual Spring Convocation and one at the Annual Fall Convocation. The third silver medal will be awarded to a student at the Annual Spring Convocation who has completed a degree program that is less than four years in length (inclusive of any qualifying year or years).

The committee will use the following guidelines, when needed, to break ties:

- (1) The Degree Grade Point Average (D.G.P.A.) is to be calculated to the fourth decimal place.
- (2) Preference is to be given to students who have a higher proportion of A+ and A grades in a total program.
- (3) Preference is to be given to students who have taken more than the required number of courses.
- (4) Preference is to be given to students with a greater proportion of senior or advanced level courses in their total program.

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