AMS-MAA-SIAM Frank and Brennie Morgan Prize for Outstanding Research in Mathematics by an Undergraduate Student

General Description

· Committee is standing
· Number of members is six, two from each society
· Term is three years

Principal Activities

1. The prize is to be awarded to an undergraduate student (or students having submitted joint work) for outstanding research in mathematics and is entirely endowed by a gift from Mrs. Frank (Brennie) Morgan.

2. Any student who is an undergraduate in a college or university in Canada, Mexico, or the U.S. or its possessions is eligible to be considered for this prize.

3. No more than one prize shall be awarded each year, and a few honorable mentions may be made.

4. The prize recipient's research need not be confined to a single paper; it may be contained in several papers.

5. The paper (or papers) to be considered for the prize must be submitted while the student is an undergraduate; it (they) cannot be submitted after the student's graduation.

6. Publication of the research is not required.

7. Starting in 2009, the prize is to consist of $1,200 and a certificate, and, for honorable mention, a certificate. If necessary, income from the prize fund will be used to pay normal travel costs for the winner, although reasonable efforts will be made first to invite the winner's home institution to pay these costs.

8. The research paper (or papers) may be submitted for consideration by the student or by a nominator.

9. All submissions for the prize must include at least one letter of support from a person, usually a faculty member, familiar with the student's research.

10. The recipients of the prize are selected by a standing joint committee of the AMS, MAA and SIAM. The joint committee consists of six members, each to serve for a term of three years, two appointed by the President of AMS, two by the President of MAA and two by the President of SIAM. The decisions of the Committee are final.

11. At least two of every three consecutive awards of the prize shall occur at a joint national
meeting of the AMS and MAA. At its discretion, and by prior agreement, SIAM may choose to present the award at its national meetings in place of the joint AMS/MAA meeting.

12. For each annual award, nominations should be submitted by June 30 of the prior year, by or on behalf of students who were undergraduates in December of the year prior to the year of nomination.

13. Commencing in 2012, and every five years thereafter, the regulations governing the prize shall be reviewed by the governing bodies of the AMS, MAA, and SIAM, according to each society's rules and procedures.

Other Activities

Miscellaneous Information

Approval
The selection of the committee is communicated to the AMS Secretary, the MAA Secretary and the SIAM Secretary who then notify the winner. This report should include the names of the individuals, their institutions, and citations for each.

Presentation of the Award
The Joint Prize for Undergraduate Research is presented as stated in #11 above. The description of the prize, along with a full citation, and biography of the winner is published in the Notices. A response from the winner may also be published. The response at the ceremony should be brief (approximately 2 minutes).

The business of this committee can be done by mail, electronic mail, or telephone, expenses which may be reimbursed by the Society.

A call for nominations should be published in the two issues of the Notices prior to the committee's deadline. It should look something like this:

Call for Nominations
for AMS-MAA-SIAM Frank and Brennie Morgan Prize for Outstanding Research in Mathematics by an Undergraduate Student

The Selection Committee for the AMS-MAA-SIAM Frank and Brennie Morgan Prize for Outstanding Research in Mathematics by an Undergraduate Student requests nominations for consideration for the 20xx Award. The Prize is awarded every year at the Joint Annual Meeting. The award is made for “outstanding research in mathematics.”

Nominations, with supporting information should be sent to (current Secretary’s name), AMS Secretary, (list Secretary’s mailing address). The deadline for nominations is (fill in date).
Note to the Chair
Committee chairs should be informed, at the beginning of each fiscal period, of the budget of their committees and cautioned to remain within the budget. Such items as travel reimbursement, accommodations, and meals for guests of any kind fall within these budgets.

Work done by committees on recurring problems may have value as precedent or work done may have historical interest. Because of this, the Council has requested that a central file system be maintained for the Society by the Secretary. Committees are reminded that a copy of every sheet of paper should be deposited (say once a year) in this central file. Confidential material should be noted, so that it can be handled in a confidential manner.

Authorization
940814 Council Minutes, item 3.5.2; 960111 Minutes of the Committee.
11/94; 4/95; 5/95; 2/96; 3/99; 3/08; 8/09; 7/13 updated members, winners, edited Note to the Chair

Past Members
A list of current and past members is available here:

Past Winners
http://www.ams.org/profession/prizes-awards/pabrowse?purl=morgan-prize

AMS Website
http://www.ams.org/profession/prizes-awards/ams-prizes/morgan-prize