



# Melbourne Brain Symposium 2019

## MENDELSON ST STUDENT LECTURE

### GUIDELINES

*Applications are invited for the Mendelsohn Student Lecture to be held at the Melbourne Brain Symposium 2019 on Wednesday, 13 November, 2019.*

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Mendelsohn Student Lecture was established in 2016 in honour of Frederick Mendelsohn, AO FAA, Emeritus Professor of the University of Melbourne and past Director of the Howard Florey Institute and R Douglas Wright Professor of Experimental Physiology and Medicine from 1997 to 2009. He held a Personal Chair in Medicine at the University of Melbourne until 1996 and during this time was the Scientific Director of the Positron Emission Tomography Centre, Austin Hospital.

The Mendelsohn Student Lecture will be presented at the Melbourne Brain Symposium.

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this prestigious award is to recognise and honour an outstanding student in the Neurosciences. With the award the student is provided a platform to deliver a lecture communicating the outcomes of their graduate research to the Neuroscience community, alongside presentations delivered by some of the most eminent scientists, internationally, and from within Australia.

*The University of Melbourne and the Florey Institute of Neuroscience and Mental Health are committed to building a culturally diverse research environment and strongly encourages female and minority candidates to apply.*

#### **AWARD**

The student selected to present the 2019 Mendelsohn Student Lecture will receive a prize of \$500 and a certification of their award as 'Mendelsohn Student Lecturer 2019'. The student will provide their 20-minute lecture and 5 minutes for questions at the Melbourne Brain Symposium on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

The two runners-up's will receive \$150 and certification of their awards as 'Runner-Ups of the Mendelsohn Student Lecturer 2019'.

Emeritus Professor Frederick Mendelsohn will be present to award all three recipients of these awards at the Melbourne Brain Symposium.

#### **REQUIREMENTS**

Students must self-nominate. Independent support of the student's nomination must be directly provided by their primary supervisor (see application process below). Applicants must be a Higher Degree student (PhD or equivalent) of the University of Melbourne or the Florey Institute of Neuroscience and Mental Health and be studying a field related to the Neurosciences and have/or plan to submit their thesis during 2019. Students must be available to present at the Melbourne Brain Symposium on Wednesday, 13 November, 2019.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

1. The student is to complete the Student Application Form.
2. The student is to supply the Supervisor Form and completed Student Application Form to their primary PhD Supervisor.
3. The Supervisor is to complete and submit the Supervisor Form directly and confidentially to [jessica.kennedy@florey.edu.au](mailto:jessica.kennedy@florey.edu.au) by Friday, 13 September, 2019.
4. The student must submit their completed Student Application Form and CV in a single PDF or Word document to [jessica.kennedy@florey.edu.au](mailto:jessica.kennedy@florey.edu.au) by Friday, 13 September, 2019.

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Supervisors may be contacted to ascertain further information on students.

## SELECTION CRITERIA

All applicants will be assessed and ranked against the Selection Criteria listed below and applications should highlight the student's achievements pertinent to these criteria.

- Student's knowledge and contribution to the research featured in their abstract
- Relevance of topic to the Neurosciences
- Quality and impact of the work including evidence of that impact in the scientific literature and in oral communications at scientific conferences
- Aptitude of student in communicating their message verbally

## TIMELINE:

12 July	Applications open
13 September	Applications close
23 September	Top three applicants are notified and notification of outcomes to unsuccessful applicants
TBC	Top three applicants present their proposed presentations to the selection panel
TBC	Mendelsohn Student lecturer and two runners-up selected
13 November 2019	Melbourne Brain Symposium including the Mendelsohn Student lecturer