

## Dissertation Prize Rules

Applicants must submit their dissertations by 1 September of the year in which they graduate.

1. To be eligible, a dissertation must be of at least 9,500 words, submitted as part of the assessment for a first degree course in law or another relevant subject.
2. The dissertation must be relevant to the study of Ecclesiastical Law but may be on any subject concerned with the interrelation of Law, State and Church, in England or in relation to the Anglican Communion.
3. A topic may have been chosen by the student writing it or it may have been set as course work by a member of staff.
4. A topic with a short abstract may be sent to the Society Administrator before the dissertation is written or submitted and written confirmation shall be provided by the Society as to whether the topic would qualify.
5. The dissertation must have been written during the second or final year of the graduate's degree course and included in the assessment for the degree.
6. The dissertation must have been awarded a first class mark by the relevant University examining board.
7. A dissertation may be submitted by its author, or, with the graduate's consent, by a member of teaching staff, so as to reach the Societies' Administrator, no later than the date set by the Committee
8. Two clean copies should be submitted, certified by the graduate's institution to have been work included in the degree assessment and awarded a first class mark by the degree awarding institution.
9. In the interests of anonymity, the copies of the dissertation should not show the applicant's name or institution but should show a code. The name and institution with the code should be given in an accompanying letter.

**APPLICANTS ARE ASKED TO AGREE TO THEIR NAME AND INSTITUTION BEING MENTIONED IN PUBLICATIONS OF THE SOCIETY.**

The Committee of the Society shall appoint two or more examiners to select the winning dissertation.

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#### NOTES

1. Suitable pieces may be submitted from joint courses, including law, or from other degrees such as theology, religious studies or history.
2. Comparative studies considering the law relevant to other faiths will be eligible provided substantial treatment is given to Christianity.
3. The author need not have been awarded a first class degree.

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DISSERTATION COMPETITION: 2016-17**

**APPLICATION FORM:**

This form should be submitted, with two clean copies of the applicant's dissertation, not showing the applicants identity but with the identification code, by 1 September 2017 to:

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Ecclesiastical Law Society  
1 The Sanctuary  
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Applicant's name: .....

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Address of Law School.....

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Confirmation by a representative of the applicant's institution that the applicant was awarded a first class mark for the dissertation:

Name of member staff .....

Signature of member of staff .....

Date of submission:.....

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