



Victoria Fisher Memorial Prize Essay Rules

1. A prize of £250 is offered in 2009. An essay may be submitted by any person regardless of age, experience, qualifications or place of residence provided the candidate has never previously had work published in a learned journal or in or as a non-fiction book. Entries are encouraged from the widest possible range of persons. The competition is not limited to students in higher education or others connected with the academic world.
2. The Essay can be on any topic relating to Women and the Law. It must not exceed 10,000 words in length and must be typed in English and double spaced on A4 paper.
 - i) The essay should be stapled in the top left hand corner only and should not be submitted in any form of binder.

Any ESSAY submitted in any form of binder will not be accepted.
 - ii) A title, the name, address and telephone number of the candidate, and brief details of present employment or courses of study must be included.
 - iii) Information as to whether the essay was specially written for the competition or was, for example, also submitted as an undergraduate dissertation, should be provided.
 - iv) Please also state where the publicity for the competition was observed.
 - v) An essay that has already been submitted as a dissertation or as coursework will be accepted but please ensure that the tutor's comments and marks have been removed from the copy submitted, and the work should be re-read to check its suitability for submission.
 - vi) Essays must include a bibliography.

3. Entries to be sent to:

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to arrive no later than **30th September 2009**. The result of the competition will be communicated to candidates early in 2010.

4. Entries will be judged by a panel of three assessors who have expertise in the area of Women and the Law. Their decision is final and they are not obliged to award a prize if they are of the view that no entry is of an adequate standard. No correspondence can be entered into as to the assessors' decision. While no guarantee can be given, every effort will be made to have the winning essay published in a suitable journal.
5. The purpose of this annual prize is to stimulate interest in the relationship between Women and the Law. This subject was of special interest to the late Victoria M Fisher as both an academic and a feminist. Victoria was a lecturer in the Law Faculty of Leicester University from 1979 to 1986. She was a founder member of the Women and Law group and an active trade unionist.
6. The prize represents income from capital monies raised by subscription after Victoria's tragic death in 1986. The fund is administered by a committee appointed by the School of Law Department at The University of Leicester.

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