



James Logan Essay Prize

Award Details:

The award is £100 and a commemorative prize (glass paperweight) plus publication in the Ulster Medical Journal.

The award is presented at the annual School prizegiving ceremony in December.

This annual prize was established in 2009 by the James Logan Trust for Education in the Recognition and Treatment of Cancer Pain. It is hoped that the prize will raise awareness in trainee doctors of the importance of, and challenges of, cancer pain assessment and management, and of holistic end of life care, and will give them confidence in their own ability to manage cancer pain.

The prize will be awarded annually to a Queen's undergraduate medical student after his/her completion of the 4th year palliative medicine teaching. The award will be made by one of the trustees of the James Logan Trust, on the recommendation of a selection panel comprised of at least two members of the Palliative Medicine Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. The student will be required to write an essay on "The challenges of cancer pain assessment and management". The value of the prize is £100, and will be accompanied by a certificate of achievement. The Committee reserves the right not to award the prize if they feel that no work of sufficient merit has been submitted.

Essay topic for 2025-26:

Write a critique of how palliative care and cancer pain management are portrayed in media (TV, film, literature, music, poetry) and explain how this compares with your understanding of palliative care practice in Northern Ireland.

Word limit 1500 +/- 10%

Final submission date **20/7/2026** Dr Joan Regan via
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Eligible Students: Year 4

Submission: email your essay to Joan Regan joan.regan@mariecurie.org.uk

Deadline: 20/7/2026

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