The prizes were set up in AY2009-2010 to honour the achievements of top students in the Chinese, German, Japanese, Korean, Malay, Tamil and Thai language programmes. These prizes are funded by donations. Awardees will be awarded book prizes. The prizes aim to recognize top students who have performed consistently well and to encourage the students to continue with their language learning efforts. The Centre would to congratulate the following students who have received the award for 2011/2012

**CLS Chinese Language Prize – Ploy Thampipattanakul**

“I was extremely surprised when the department informed me that I have won an award for “the best student in Chinese Language”, given the fact that there are many outstanding students in my class. I would like to thank the department for giving me this opportunity to take up new language, and the teachers who have never failed to provide me support throughout the entire three years. I am deeply honoured to be given this prestigious prize.”

**CLS German Language Prize – Liu Tong**

I feel very honoured and surprised to win this prize! To me, the prize is a recognition of my language achievement and at the same time it motivates me to continue learning German. My deepest appreciation to the department and all my teachers for helping me and making the learning experience very enjoyable and memorable. Thank you!

**CLS Prize for Best FASS Student in Japanese Language – Yong Shi Yun Estee**

Being awarded the prize of CLS Best FASS Student in Japanese Language is an especially significant and memorable way to end my university life as an NUS student majoring in Japanese Studies. It is a great honour to receive the prize at the end of 4 years of hard work and guidance by the dedicated CLS teaching staff, without which this award would not have been possible. I am thankful for the opportunity to have an enriching and enjoyable experience learning the Japanese language these past 4 years at NUS.

**CLS Japanese Language Prize – Goh Jing Ying**

“I am honored to be receiving this prize as it is recognition of all the hard work I put in to learning this wonderful language, as well as all the effort my teachers took to teach me as well as they could. It is an indication to me and my teachers of what I have achieved after learning Japanese over these six semesters.”

**CLS Korean Language Prize – Chua Minqi**

I am extremely pleased and honoured to have received this award. Taking up Korean Language classes is perhaps one of the best decisions I have made thus far. The past three years have been a truly enriching and enjoyable learning experience, and I would like to thank all my lecturers and tutors for being such dedicated and wonderful teachers. This award means a lot to me, and it would serve as a motivation for me to continue learning the Korean Language at higher levels.

**CLS Tamil Language Prize – Lim Ka Woon**

“The award is a pleasant surprise for me. I think it encourages undergraduates like me to pick up a totally new language in NUS. It is also a timely reminder for me to keep in touch with what I have learnt, build on it, and delve deeper into the culture which knowledge of the Tamil language has empowered me to explore.”
CLS Thai Language Prize – Mok Wei Wu

"First and foremost, I must say I am deeply honoured to receive this prize. Learning Thai has always been enjoyable to me - yes, even when the homework is demanding, the speaking classes get confusing, the writing lessons get tiring, and the presentations get intimidating. I enjoy the time with my tutors, who are always so passionate with their language and culture, and so patient with us students. It is enjoyable because of the teachers and also my fellow comrades in the Battle of Understanding Thai. The process is memorable as well. In a way, I 'repeated' the process of language learning and acquisition all over again, and as a future Chinese Language teacher, this process is an invaluable experience. I thank CLS for awarding this prize to me, on top of a far more fabulous prize which has already been awarded to all: A fantastic time of learning in the Centre."