Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust School Leaver Awards

Scholarship description

The Awards were established in 2017 and are funded by the Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust.

The main purpose of the Awards is to assist women students completing Year 13 at a decile 1-3 secondary school and who are enrolling in their first undergraduate degree at the University of Auckland in the following year.

Selection process

- A Selection Committee assesses a short-list of applications selected from the University of Auckland Academic Potential Scholarships – School Leavers
- The Awards are made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust

Regulations

1. The Awards will be known as the Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust School Leaver Awards.
2. Up to four Awards annually, each for a period of one year, and will be of the value of up to $6,000 each.
3. To take up and be paid the Award, the candidate must be enrolled full-time in the first year of their first undergraduate degree at the University of Auckland.
4. The Awards are tenable by women students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand, currently in Year 13 at a decile 1-3 New Zealand secondary school and intending to enrol full-time in a degree at the University of Auckland in the following year.
5. The basis of selection will be academic merit and demonstrated financial hardship (See Notes ii-iii).
6. As a condition of tenure, recipients will be required to maintain a GPA of at least 3.00 (equivalent to a C+ average) in each semester of study (see Note iv).
7. The shortlisting of candidates will be undertaken by a Selection Committee comprising the Chair of the Scholarships.
Sub-Committee (or nominee) and the Manager of the Scholarships Office (or nominee). Final awarding will be made by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of the Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust.

8. The Awards will be paid in two equal lump sums in the third week of Semester One and Semester Two.

9. The Awards may be held with any other award or grant of equal or lesser value as long as a) the terms of that award or grant permit and b) the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves. It is the responsibility of the recipient to declare to the Scholarships Office all other grant, award or scholarship funding received while in payment for this Award.

10. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the donor, has the power to terminate or suspend a scholarship if it receives an unsatisfactory report on the progress of a Scholar from Director/Head of Department or School in which the recipient is enrolled.

11. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if in any year there are not candidates of sufficient merit.

12. The University of Auckland, in consultation with the donor, has the power to amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the scholarship.

13. Notes [i]-[vii] below are deemed to be Regulations.

Notes

I. Candidates will be nominated from short-listed University of Auckland Academic Potential Scholarships – School Leavers.

II. Academic merit will be based on results at Level 2 in the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) or an equivalent qualification.

III. Financial need will be determined by a range of factors including eligibility for a StudyLink Student Allowance, and personal and financial circumstances.

IV. For the purposes of this award, the recipient’s grade point average (GPA) is based on all the courses they undertake in each semester of study.

V. Recipients who are unable to complete their studies in any semester due to compelling circumstances must apply in writing to the Manager of the Scholarships Office for special consideration before the end of the examination period for that semester.

VI. Payments under the terms of this award remain tax-free as long as they are used directly for the payment of costs associated with an awardee’s programme of study. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the award.

VII. These regulations are subject to Senate and Council approval.