New Zealand Association of Optometrists Undergraduate Awards

Scholarship description

The New Zealand Association of Optometrists has a long and valued relationship with the Department of Optometry and Vision Science at the University of Auckland. In recognition of this, the NZAO established a set of undergraduate awards for BOptom students at the University.

Selection process

- No application required
- The Scholarship is awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Head of the Department of Optometry and Vision Science

Regulations

1. Awards known as the New Zealand Association of Optometrists Undergraduate Awards will be made annually to students ordinarily resident in New Zealand who are enrolled and have paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for the Degree of Bachelor of Optometry at the University of Auckland.

2. There will be four categories of award, as follows:
   (a) One Award of $1,000 to be presented to the top student entering BOptom Part III with the highest aggregate mark across all the prescribed BOptom courses in the previous year, and who is not repeating the previous year.
   (b) Two Awards of $1,000 – each one to be presented to a student entering BOptom Part IV. One Award will be made to the student gaining the highest aggregate mark across all the prescribed BOptom courses in the previous year, and one award will be made to the student showing most improvement in the previous year, who is not repeating the previous year.
   (c) Three Awards of $1,000 – each one to be presented to a student entering BOptom Part V. Two Awards will be made to the students gaining the highest aggregate marks across all the prescribed BOptom courses in the previous year, and one award will be made to the student showing most improvement in the previous year, who is not repeating the previous year.
   (d) One Award of $1,000 to be presented to a Maori/Pacific Island student entering BOptom Part II. In the event of more than one Maori/Pacific Island student entering BOptom Part II, the award will go to the eligible student gaining the highest GPA in the previous year.
In the absence of an eligible Maori/Pacific Island student entering BOptom Part II, no award will be made.

3. The Awards will be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Head of the Department of Optometry and Vision Science.

4. The recommendations for Awards will be based on the performance in the University examinations in the year prior to that for which the Awards are made.

5. A student may be awarded only one New Zealand Association of Optometrists Award per year but this Award may be held concurrently with any other award should the conditions for the other award so permit.

6. No applications for any of the above Awards are necessary.