Royal Wolf Rugby Tertiary Scholarship

Scholarship description

The Scholarship was established in 2015 and is funded by Royal Wolf in conjunction with the Auckland Rugby Union Supporters Club Junior Rugby Foundation. From 2016, the University of Auckland will administer the Scholarship on behalf of the Foundation for University of Auckland applicants.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support an outstanding all-rounder to undertake undergraduate study at the University of Auckland.

Selection process

- application is made to the Scholarships Office
- a Selection Committee shortlists the applications
- the Scholarship is awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Auckland Rugby Union Supporters Club Junior Rugby Foundation

Regulations

1. The Scholarship will be known as the Royal Wolf Rugby Tertiary Scholarship.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually, for the duration of an undergraduate degree, and will be of the value of up to $10,000 per annum, paid as a compulsory fees credit (see Notes i and iii).
3. To be offered the Scholarship the candidate must be currently enrolled in Year 13 at a New Zealand Secondary School situated within the boundaries of the Auckland Rugby Football Union and be eligible for a Provincial Union Development Contract with the New Zealand Rugby Union (NZRU). The candidate must also intend to enrol in a degree programme at the University of Auckland in the following year.
4. To take up and be paid the Scholarship, recipients must be enrolled and have paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for full-time or part-time enrolment in any undergraduate degree at the University of Auckland and have met the minimum rank score required (see Note ii).
5. The Scholarships are tenable by students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.
6. The basis of selection will be academic ability, rugby potential, and involvement in school and community activities.
7. To maintain the Scholarship the recipient must attain an equivalent GPA of 4.00 (B- average) in each year of study. The recipient must also enter into and remain bound to (at minimum) a Provincial Union Development Contract with NZRU, with the Provincial Union being Auckland, for the period agreed by the parties (see Note vi).

8. The Shortlisting of applicants 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 on the recommendation of the Auckland Rugby Union Supporters Club Junior Rugby Foundation.

9. The Scholarship will be paid as a compulsory fees credit (see Note iii). Payments to part-time students will be prorated.

10. The Scholarship may be held concurrently with any other University of Auckland award or grant as long as a) the terms of that award or grant permit and b) the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves. It may not be held with any other award or grant funded by a company or sporting entity.

11. 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 the Head of the relevant School or through any action by the scholar bring the University of Auckland, the Auckland Rugby Union Supporters Club Junior Rugby Foundation, Royal Wolf Trading (NZ) Ltd or the sport of Rugby into disrepute.

12. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if in any year there is no candidate of sufficient merit.

13. The University of Auckland Council has the power to amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the Donor, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

14. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 25 August in the year preceding the award.

15. Notes [i]-[vi] are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

I. The maximum total value an individual may be awarded will be $30,000 over the duration of their undergraduate degree programme.

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

III. Compulsory fees are those only related to the relevant programme of study, plus Student Services Fee. Fee payments will not usually be made for the re-sitting of courses that a Scholar has failed or did not complete.

IV. Recipients of the Scholarship must meet their University obligations, and will not be eligible for special consideration where these obligations conflict with New Zealand Rugby Union playing/and or training schedule.

V. The Scholarship recipient will be officially announced and recognised at an annual function to promote more widely the involvement of the Foundation and Royal Wolf.

VI. Recipients of the Scholarship will qualify for subsequent years of funding provided they have met the academic requirements in the previous academic year.