The Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust First Year Doctoral Awards

**Scholarship description**

The Awards were established in 2015 and are funded by the Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust. From 2016, the University of Auckland will administer the Awards on behalf of the Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust for University of Auckland applicants.

The main purpose of the Awards is to assist women graduates currently enrolled in their first year of full-time study at the University of Auckland towards a PhD or named doctorate.

These Awards are also open to eligible students from other approved institutions in the Auckland area, who should apply using the application form available from the website: http://www.academicdresshire.co.nz.

**Selection process**

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- The Awards are made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust

**Regulations**

1. The Awards shall be known as The Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust First Year Doctoral Awards.
2. Up to five Awards will be made annually, for a period of one year, and will be of the value of up to $11,000 each.
3. To take up and be paid the Awards the candidates must have paid the fees or arranged to pay the fees, for full-time enrolment in their first year of study towards a PhD or named doctorate at the University of Auckland.
4. Students who have completed one year of full-time study (or equivalent) are not eligible for consideration for this award.
5. The Awards are tenable by women students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.
6. The basis of selection will be academic merit and the applicant’s academic achievements, research qualifications and
research plans (see Note i).

7. 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 upon the recommendation of the Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust.

8. The Awards will be paid in one instalment after acceptance.

9. The Awards may be held with any other awards or grants as long as a) the terms of those awards or grants permit and b) the University of Auckland Council and the Donor are informed and approve (see Note ii).

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

11. 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 Awards.

12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 9 April in the year of the award.

13. Notes [i]-[iv] below are deemed to be regulations.

**Notes**

I. For the purpose of these awards, academic merit will be assessed as a Scholarships GPA or GPE obtained over the applicant’s most recent two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent).

II. To comply with the full-time study requirement in Regulation 3, the amount of additional and paid work a Scholar may undertake either inside or outside the University shall not exceed a total of 500 hours per scholarship year.

III. On completion of their year of study, the recipients of the Award will be required to submit a brief report endorsed by their Supervisors, to the Awards Convener of The Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust.

IV. Any publications arising from the recipient’s research should acknowledge the Award received from The Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust.