

The University of Auckland Bioengineering Masters Scholarships

Code:	673
Faculty:	Auckland Bioengineering Institute
Applicable study:	ME Thesis in Bioengineering
Closing date:	31 January and 1 July
Tenure:	Up to 1 year of full-time study (or equivalent)
For:	Stipend and fees
Number on offer:	Varies
Offer rate:	Annually
Value:	Up to \$13,000 plus compulsory fees

Description

These Scholarships were established in 2011 and are funded by the Auckland Bioengineering Institute. The main purpose of the Scholarships is to encourage and support students to undertake a research master's degree in the Auckland Bioengineering Institute.

Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- The Scholarships are awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee.

Regulations

1. The Scholarships shall be known as the University of Auckland Bioengineering Masters Scholarships.
2. One or more Scholarships may be awarded annually for a period of up to one year of full-time study (or equivalent), and will comprise a stipend of up to \$13,000 paid in fortnightly instalments, plus compulsory fees.
3. The Scholarships shall be offered annually to students enrolled at the University of Auckland and who have paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for full or part-time enrolment in the Degree of Master of Engineering in Bioengineering (BIOENG 796).
4. The Scholarships are tenable by students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.
5. Selection will be based on academic merit, the nature and quality of the research proposal and alignment of the proposed research with the strategic objectives of the Auckland Bioengineering Institute. As a guideline, the minimum GPA for a successful application is 5.00 (a B average) and preference will be given to candidates who wish to work:
 - a) in new areas of research where other sources of funding are difficult to find,
 - b) with new members of staff who are just establishing their research programme, or
 - c) on research projects of strategic importance to the Auckland Bioengineering Institute.

6. The Scholarships shall be awarded annually by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee consisting of the Deputy Director of Auckland Bioengineering Institute, the Associate Dean of Research and the Associate Dean Postgraduate (or their nominees).
7. Payment will be made as a fortnightly stipend. Payments to part-time scholars will be pro-rated (see Notes I and II).
8. The amount of additional and paid University work a Scholar may undertake shall not exceed a total of 500 hours across the period of tenure of the Scholarship (see Note II). If a Scholar anticipates the total of 500 hours (or equivalent for part-time Scholars) will be exceeded or if this total has been exceeded, the Scholar will be ineligible to receive the full Scholarship value. In this event the Scholar is requested to contact the Scholarships Office and may request payment to cover their fees (only).
9. A University of Auckland Bioengineering Masters Scholarship may not be held concurrently with a University of Auckland Research Masters Scholarship.
10. A Scholarship shall automatically cease to be available to a student who through withdrawal or failure to meet any programme requirements is no longer eligible to pursue the programme of study for which the Scholarship has been offered.
11. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 31 January and 1 July in the year of the award. Applications will include the candidate's curriculum vitae, a brief description of the thesis topic, and the name of the thesis supervisor.
12. Regulations [I]-[III] are deemed to be Regulations.

Notes

- I. Payments will commence from the first semester of eligible enrolment following the awarding of this Scholarship. The Scholarship cannot be back-dated to cover any semesters of study that have already been undertaken towards a Masters degree prior to the application closing date. Recipients can take up the scholarship in semester one or semester two in the year of offer.*
- II. Part-time Scholars will be paid on a pro-rata basis and the hours of additional and paid work a scholarship recipient can undertake will be similarly calculated e.g. 60 points = 250 hours.*
- III. Students must also apply for admission to the Masters programme by the closing date for admission.*