Alison Hanham Undergraduate Scholarship in Arts

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2019 and is funded by the estate of Dr Alison Hanham, an alumna of the University of Auckland and former Associate Professor in History at Massey University, Palmerston North.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Arts conjoint degree students, particularly those in the School of Humanities, who are enrolling in the first year of their degree, and who are experiencing financial hardship.

**Selection process**

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

**Regulations**

1. The Scholarship will be known as the Alison Hanham Undergraduate Scholarship in Arts.
2. Two Scholarships will be awarded annually, each for a period of up to one year, and will be of the value of up to $5,000 each. Recipients of the Scholarship may reapply in subsequent years.
3. The Scholarship may be offered to students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand, currently in their final year at a New Zealand secondary school and intending to enrol full-time in a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or Bachelor of Arts conjoint degree in the Faculty of Arts at the University of Auckland in the following year. At least one Scholarship will be awarded to a student intending to enrol in the School of Humanities, provided suitable candidates are available.
4. To take up and be paid the Scholarship, the candidate must be enrolled and have paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for full-time enrolment in a BA or BA conjoint degree at the University of Auckland.
5. The basis of selection will be academic merit based on results at Level 2 or higher in the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) or an equivalent qualification for candidates enrolling in their first year of tertiary study, or the cumulative grade point average (GPA) for previous recipients of the scholarship who are applying again,
and financial need (see Note I).

6. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Arts (or nominee) and two members of academic staff of the Faculty of Arts, nominated by the Dean of the Faculty of Arts.

7. The Scholarship will be paid as in two equal lump sums in the third week of Semesters One and Two.

8. To be paid the second instalment, recipients will be required to maintain a grade point average (GPA) of at least 5.00 (equivalent to a B average) in each semester of study.

9. The Scholarship may be held with any other scholarship, award or grant as long as a) the terms of that scholarship, 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 Scholarship.

10. The University of Auckland Council has the power to terminate or suspend a scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Dean of the Faculty of Arts.

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. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 1 November of the year preceding the award.

14. Notes [I]-[III] below are deemed to be Regulations.

Notes

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

II. Payments under the terms of this Scholarship 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 Scholarship.

III. Recipients of an Alison Hanham Undergraduate Scholarship in Arts will be required to give undertakings that they will comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and will notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. The University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that a recipient of an Alison Hanham Undergraduate Scholarship in Arts is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.

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