Andrew Pullan Bioengineering Masters Scholarship

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2013 by the Auckland Bioengineering Institute (ABI) and the Department of Engineering Science in memory of the late Professor Andrew Pullan.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) graduate of the Department of Engineering Science from the University of Auckland to undertake a research masters degree, particularly in the field of Gastro-Intestinal Motility.

**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 shall be known as the Andrew Pullan Bioengineering Masters Scholarship.
2. One Scholarship may be awarded for a period of up to one year of full-time study (or equivalent), and comprise a stipend of up to $13,390 per annum in 2020 plus compulsory domestic masters fees. Payments and tenure will be pro-rated for part-time students (see Note III).
3. To take up and be paid the Scholarship the recipient must be enrolled full-time or part-time in a Master of Engineering degree in Bioengineering. Preference will be given to students undertaking research related to the field of Gastro-Intestinal Motility.
4. The Scholarship is tenable by students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand who are Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (BE(Hons)) graduates of the Department of Engineering Science from the University of Auckland.
5. Selection will be based on academic merit as assessed by the grade point average (GPA) calculated over the BE(Hons), the quality and nature of the applicant’s research proposal and alignment of the proposed research with the strategic objectives of the Auckland Bioengineering Institute. The proposed research must have been assessed
6. The Scholarship shall be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee consisting of the Head of Department of Engineering Science (or nominee), the Associate Director (Research) (or nominee) of the Auckland Bioengineering Institute and a senior academic nominated by the Director of the Auckland Bioengineering Institute.

7. Payments will be made as a fortnightly stipend and a compulsory fees credit in each semester of enrolment. Payment of the stipend shall commence from the third week of the first semester of eligible enrolment following the award of the Scholarship. The Scholarship cannot be backdated to cover any semesters of study that have already been undertaken towards an Master of Engineering degree prior to the application closing date. 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).

9. An Andrew Pullan Bioengineering Masters Scholarship may not be held concurrently with a University of Auckland Research Masters Scholarship, a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship, a University of Auckland Pacific Postgraduate Scholarship, a University of Auckland Bioengineering Masters Scholarship or a University of Auckland Bioengineering Masters Scholarship for Māori and Pacific Students. However it may be held with any other scholarship, award or grant where the regulations for that scholarship, award or grant permit and where the University of Auckland Council so agrees.

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 Head of the Department of Engineering Science.

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

12. The University of Auckland Council 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 31 January in the year of the award.

14. Notes [I]-[V] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

I. Compulsory fees are those only related to the relevant programme of study plus Student Services Fee.

II. Scholars who hold the Scholarship on a part-time basis are subject to the same employment restrictions as full-time scholarship holders (i.e. 500 hours per scholarship year, refer regulation 8 and Note IV).

III. 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.

IV. Recipients of the Andrew Pullan Bioengineering Masters Scholarship 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, employment or funding status. The University of Auckland may, in the event that a recipient of an Andrew Pullan Bioengineering Masters Scholarship is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.

V. Applicants must also apply for admission to the Master of Engineering programme by the closing date for admission.