

Clark Undergraduate Scholarship

Code:	849
Faculty:	Arts
Applicable study:	Full-time enrolment in a BA degree at the University of Auckland
Closing date:	1 November 2024
Tenure:	Up to 4 years
For:	Assistance
Number on offer:	Up to 3
Offer rate:	Every 3-4 years depending on funding
Value:	Up to \$25,000pa each (see Reg. 2)

Description

The Scholarship was established in 2016 and is privately funded.

An Arts education is of great value to the student receiving that education and to the community. The Scholarship is intended to support students in financial hardship who wish to undertake a Bachelor of Arts at the University of Auckland.

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 Clark Undergraduate Scholarship.
2. Up to three Scholarships will be awarded, normally every three to four years (or more or less depending on funds available), each for a period of up to four years, and will comprise compulsory tuition fees, plus accommodation in a University of Auckland Hall of Residence (see Regulation 9) up to a total value of \$25,000 per annum each (see Regulation 5). In addition, awardees will be assigned an academic mentor.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, applicants must be i) a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand, ii) currently enrolled in their final year of secondary school or kura, and iii) intending to enrol full-time in a Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree at the University of Auckland in the following year. Students enrolled in a conjoint degree are not eligible for consideration for this Scholarship.
4. 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; demonstrated financial need and motivation to succeed at University as demonstrated by a personal statement (see Note V).
5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Arts (or nominee), the Assistant Dean (Students and Equity) (or nominee) and one other member of Academic Staff appointed by the Dean of the Faculty of Arts.

6. To be paid the Scholarship, awardees must have achieved admission to the University of Auckland with an NCEA rank score of at least 220, a CIE rank score of at least 260 or an IB score of at least 29, which equates to a University of Auckland grade point equivalent (GPE) of 4.00, and be enrolled full-time in a BA at the University of Auckland.
7. To remain in payment of the Scholarship, awardees will be required to remain enrolled full-time in a BA, and maintain a grade point average (GPA) of at least 4.00 (equivalent to a B- average) in each semester of study (see Notes VI to VIII). Awardees will be required to meet with their academic mentor at least once per semester.
8. The compulsory tuition fees component will be paid as a tuition fees credit in each semester of enrolment. In the first year of the Scholarship, the accommodation component will be paid directly to Accommodation Solutions. In the second and subsequent years, the accommodation component will be paid either i) directly to Accommodation Solutions where the awardee is living in a University of Auckland residence, or ii) directly to the student as a fortnightly stipend where the awardee is living in private accommodation. If the awardee's tuition fees have already been covered by any fee-paying scheme, scholarship or award, the equivalent value may be paid directly to the awardee in each semester of enrolment, as soon as is practical after confirmation of the awardee's enrolment, that is, after the final date on which a student may add or delete courses without incurring a late enrolment fee, to assist the awardee with living costs, provided that the combined components, including accommodation, does not exceed the total value of the Scholarship (see Notes I to IV).
9. The Scholarship may be held concurrently with any other scholarship, award or grant as long as the regulations for that scholarship, award or grant permit and the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves. It is the responsibility of the awardee to declare to the Scholarships Committee all other scholarships, awards or grant funding received and for which the awardee receives payment while also in payment for this Scholarship.
10. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the Donor, has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the relevant Head of School.
11. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there is no candidate that meets the criteria and/or no candidate of sufficient merit.
12. The University of Auckland can amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the Donor, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 1 November in the year preceding the award.
14. Notes [I] to [X] 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. *University of Auckland Halls of Residence are Grafton Hall, O'Rorke Hall, University Hall – Towers and Waipārūrū Hall.*
- III. *Applicants need to make a separate application for University accommodation by the relevant deadline date.*
- IV. *Self-catered residences are a single room in Carlaw Park Student Village, Grafton Student Flats, Te Tirohanga o te Tōangaroa, University Hall – Apartments, or UniLodge Anzac/Beach.*
- V. *Financial need will be determined by a range of factors including eligibility for a StudyLink Student Allowance, and personal and financial circumstances. Applicants need to demonstrate that they are experiencing financial hardship and that they are struggling to meet basic living costs. Incurred debt is not evidence of financial hardship.*
- VI. *For the purposes of this Scholarship, the recipient's GPA is based on all the courses they undertake in each semester of study.*
- VII. *If a student changes their degree programme or enrolls part-time the Scholarship will lapse.*
- VIII. *Awardees must be enrolled full-time continuously in their programme of study. Deferrals for students who have already commenced their degree, or applications to study part-time, will not usually be approved unless there are compelling medical or adverse personal circumstances beyond the student's control. Awardees must apply in writing to the Scholarships Office to request any change to their enrolment status.*
- IX. *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 and to assist the awardee with living costs while studying.*

Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.

- X. *Awardees will be required to 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 an awardee is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.*