Denise Gerard Scholarships

**Description**

The Scholarships were established in 1997 as the result of a bequest to the University from the late Miss B Denise Gerard. Miss Gerard’s stated purpose in establishing the Scholarships was to assist students at the Elam School of Fine Arts who show industry, promise of artistic ability, and are in need of financial assistance.

**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 Scholarships shall be known as the Denise Gerard Scholarships.
2. Up to 5 Scholarships of up to $5,000 each may be awarded annually. The number of Scholarships to be awarded in each round shall be determined by the Selection Committee, taking into account the funding available.
3. To take up the Scholarships the recipients must have paid the fees, or have arranged to pay the fees, for full-time enrolment in, Parts II, III or IV of the Bachelor of Fine Arts, or the Bachelor of Fine Arts (Honours) at the University of Auckland. The basis of selection shall be the quality of a candidate’s portfolio, and demonstrated financial need (see Notes I and II).
4. The Scholarships shall be awarded annually by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee, which shall comprise the Head of the School of Fine Arts (or nominee), a representative of the Studio staff, and the Manager, Scholarships (or nominee).
5. The Scholarships’ emolument shall be paid in one lump sum.
6. Each Scholarship shall be tenable for one year. However, subject to remaining eligible, a student may apply for an award in more than one year.
7. The University of Auckland Council shall have the power to terminate a Scholarship or suspend Scholarship payments if, in respect of any Denise Gerard Scholar, it receives an unsatisfactory report from the Head of the School of Fine Arts.
8. The University of Auckland Council shall have the power to amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarships.

9. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 8 April in the year of the award.

10. Notes [I]-[II] below are deemed to be regulations.

**Notes**

I. The portfolio is to consist of six examples of work done in the preceding 12 months as digital files, each example with relevant captioning such as title, date, medium and size.

II. Financial need will be demonstrated through a brief statement detailing financial hardship, a bank statement and a statement from an appropriate referee confirming financial hardship.