

# Facebook Scholarship in Information Governance

<b>Code:</b>	1121
<b>Faculty:</b>	Business School
<b>Applicable study:</b>	Postgraduate study in Information Governance (offered Online)
<b>Closing date:</b>	29 November 2023
<b>Tenure:</b>	Up to one year
<b>For:</b>	Tuition fees credit
<b>Number on offer:</b>	One
<b>Offer rate:</b>	Annually
<b>Value:</b>	Up to \$5,000

## Description

The Scholarship was established in 2021 and is funded by Facebook.

The intention of the Scholarship is to encourage diversity of participation in the privacy and information governance profession, including from Māori and/or Pacific communities, to advance social equity and digital literacy, and to provide opportunities for lasting impact in New Zealand and globally, by supporting a student to undertake postgraduate study in Information Governance at Waipapa Taumata Rau, 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 Facebook Scholarship in Information Governance.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually for a period of up to one year and will be of the value of up to \$5,000.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand, and ii) enrolled, or enrolling, in either a Master of Information Governance (MInfoGov) or a Postgraduate Certificate in Information Governance (PGCertInfGov). A grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 7.00 (6.50 for Māori and Pacific applicants) in the applicant's most recent qualifying programme is required for Scholarship consideration (see Note II).
4. The basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) calculated over the most recent qualifying programme (see Note II), and the quality of a personal statement of up to 500 words, describing the applicant's study and career plans and how they will benefit their community and New Zealand. The following strategic priorities may also inform selection: i) support for applicants of Māori or Pacific descent, and/or ii) applicants who have experienced disadvantages due to economic circumstances.
5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection

Committee comprising the Head of the Department of Commercial Law (or nominee), the Programme Director for Information Governance (or nominee), and one representative of the donor.

6. To be paid the Scholarship, awardees must be enrolled in the MInfoGov or PGCertInfoGov.
7. Payment will be made as a contribution towards compulsory tuition fees in equal instalments at the start of the first two quarters of enrolment.
8. The Facebook Scholarship in Information Governance may be held with any other scholarship, award or grant where the Regulations for that award or grant permit and where the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves. It is the responsibility of the awardee to declare to the Scholarships Office all other scholarships, awards or grant funding received and for which the awardee receives payment while also in payment for this Scholarship.
9. 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.
10. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the donor, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
11. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 29 November in the year preceding the award.
12. Notes [I] – [III] below are deemed to be Regulations.

## Notes

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- I. Compulsory tuition fees are only those related to the relevant programme of study, plus Student Services Fee.*
- II. The most recent qualifying programme is defined as the most recently completed programme of study that qualifies the applicant for entry to the postgraduate programme for which they are applying. Where the qualifying programme is a conjoint programme the GPA/GPE will be calculated over the relevant component of the conjoint programme. The maximum approved exchange or transfer credit that can be excluded from the GPA/GPE calculation for the qualifying programme is 60 points. Where a bridging programme, including a Transitional Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Certificate of Proficiency is required to qualify the applicant for the postgraduate programme in which they are applying, the qualifying programme is the bridging programme and the most recently completed prior programme.*
- III. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and must notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. Waipapa Taumata Rau, 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.*