Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries Doctoral Assistance Scholarship

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2012 by the Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries to attract and assist doctoral students studying in the Faculty.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support a doctoral student studying in the Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries.

**Selection process**

- Nomination is made to the Scholarships Office
- 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 Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries Doctoral Assistance Scholarship.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually, for a period of up to three years, and will be of the value of up to $6,000 per annum.
3. To take up and be paid the Scholarship the awardee must have paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for full-time enrolment in a doctoral degree in the Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries (see Note II).
4. The Scholarship is tenable by domestic students enrolled in a PhD, Doctor of Fine Arts (DocFA), Doctor of Musical Arts (DMA) or Doctor of Music (DMus) and domestic fee-paying international students enrolled in a PhD (see Note I).
5. The basis of selection will be academic merit, the quality of the proposed research topic and endorsement by the host academic unit. Matters that may be considered in relation to academic merit include, but are not limited to, academic record, standing of awarding institution, academic references, CV, research and publication record. Where a completed programme with a grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) is the basis for entry to the doctoral programme, a candidate must have a GPA/GPE of 7.00 or above (6.50 for Māori or Pacific candidates) in that programme to be eligible for scholarships consideration (see Note III).
6. The Scholarship will be paid as a lump sum in one instalment per year or as an annual tuition fees credit for up to three years. Payment will commence from the doctoral registration date or the date nominated by the faculty (whichever is the later date) (see Note II).

7. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising a minimum of three representatives of the Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries Postgraduate Committee nominated by the Chair of the Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries Postgraduate Committee.

8. The Scholarship may not be concurrently held with a University of Auckland Doctoral Scholarship. However, it 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.

9. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the Dean of the Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries, 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.

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

11. The University of Auckland Council has the power to amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the donor, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

12. Notes [I] – [V] below are deemed to be Regulations.

**Notes**

I. To be eligible to pay domestic PhD fees, recipients who are permanent residents of New Zealand or Australia, Australian citizens or international students may only be resident outside of New Zealand for a maximum total of twelve months over the period of their enrolment in their doctoral degree and only for the purposes of conducting research.

II. Scholars are required to either enrol and take up their Scholarship within 6 months or, in exceptional cases, to have obtained approval for a delayed take up time from the Dean of the Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries. The latest possible date for enrolment is 1 December in the year of the award.

III. Where the qualifying programme is an undergraduate honours degree (or equivalent undergraduate degree or integrated undergraduate and postgraduate degree), the grade point average or equivalent will be calculated over the final two years of full-time study (or equivalent) in the programme. In all other cases, the grade point equivalent will be calculated over the entirety of the programme.

IV. 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.

V. Recipients of a Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries Doctoral Assistance 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 or funding status. The University of Auckland may, in the event that is can be established that a recipient of a Faculty of Creative Arts and Industries Doctoral Assistance Scholarship is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.