First in Course Award

**Code:** 650  
**Faculty:** All  
**Applicable study:** Taught courses for undergraduate or postgraduate degree or diploma  
**Closing date:** By nomination  

**Description**

The First in Course Award was established in 2010 by the University of Auckland Council.

The main purpose of the Award is to recognise the student(s) who obtained the highest overall mark in a taught course.

**Selection process**

- Nomination is made to the Scholarships Office
- The Award is made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Scholarships Office based on data supplied by Faculties

**Regulations**

1. The Award will be known as the First in Course Award.
2. The Award will be recorded on the recipients’ official academic transcript.
3. The Awards will be allocated at the end of each semester to the student(s) whose academic performance identifies them as having achieved the highest final mark in a particular taught course for an undergraduate or postgraduate degree or diploma as at the results submission date. Recipients must have achieved a minimum final grade of A- (see Notes I-II).
4. In the case of concurrently taught courses, only one Award will be awarded to the top student across both/all the concurrently taught courses (see Note III).
5. In the event that two or more students obtain a final percentage mark that is within a margin of +/- 0.5%, this award will be shared.
6. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of the Scholarships Office based on data supplied by Faculties.
7. 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 Award.

**Notes**
I. Directed reading and individual study courses, as defined by Faculties, or courses with four or fewer enrolled students, are excluded from consideration for these awards.

II. For MBChB courses, refer to the regulations for the MBChB First in Course Award.

III. The decision of the Scholarships Office is final.

IV. Winners will be notified by the Scholarships Office.