Hauora Māori Development in Pharmacy Practice Prize

**Description**

The Prize was established in 2018 and is funded by Ngā Kaitiaki o Te Puna Rongoā o Aotearoa/ The Māori Pharmacists’ Association (MPA). The MPA is a national Māori health organisation with the aim and overarching vision to lead Māori responsiveness in the pharmacy sector in the development and delivery of services aimed to increase medicines optimisation in Māori whānau.

The main purpose of the Prize is to reward and recognise students of the Bachelor of Pharmacy who demonstrate development of skills, understandings and reflection in relation to the Hauora Māori domain learning at Part III level, with the overall aim of fostering graduates who are confident to offer culturally competent pharmacy services that can eliminate health disparities experienced by Māori health consumers.

**Selection process**

- Nomination is made to the Scholarships Office
- The Award is made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Head of the School of Pharmacy

**Regulations**

1. The Prize will be known as the Hauora Māori Development in Pharmacy Practice Prize.
2. The value of the Prize will be $500.
3. The Prize will be awarded annually to the student enrolled in Part IV of the Bachelor of Pharmacy (BPharm) who has demonstrated the best development in Hauora Māori understandings and culturally competent practices as evidenced in their collected portfolio submitted at the end of Part III of the BPharm (see Notes I-II).
4. The Prize will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of the Head of School of Pharmacy.
5. The Prize may not be shared.
6. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the donors, has the power to amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Prize.
7. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if in any year there are no candidates of sufficient merit.
8. Notes [I]-[II] below are deemed to be Regulations.

Notes

I. The portfolio deemed to have best met the selection criteria will be chosen by a panel comprised of the Academic Director of the School of Pharmacy at the University of Auckland (or nominee) and an Executive Committee member of the MPA (or their nominated representative).

II. The portfolio will comprise a reflective statement of not more than 500 words that demonstrates the student’s understanding of Hauora Māori and culturally competent practice to eliminate health inequities that exist for Māori, supported by evidence drawn from the student’s Pharmacy ePortfolio and other relevant additional evidence which may include submitted coursework.