**Jacob Marx Memorial Award in US History**

**Description**

The Award was established in 2014 and is funded by Natalie Chung in memory of her partner, Jacob Marx. Jacob was an intelligent, compassionate and spirited person with a passion and thirst for knowledge. Jacob thoroughly enjoyed his years at the University of Auckland and had hoped to pursue postgraduate study in History in the years to come. It is with this in mind that this Award is being funded to support a postgraduate student in History in the writing of their thesis.

**Selection process**

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- The Award is made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

**Regulations**

1. The Award shall be known as the Jacob Marx Memorial Award in US History.
2. One Award shall be made annually, for a period of one year, and will be of the value of $1,500.
3. To take up and be paid the Award the candidate must be enrolled and have paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for full-time or part-time enrolment in a Master of Arts by research or PhD in the disciplinary area of History, with a topic in US History or comparative US History.
4. The Award is tenable by students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.
5. The basis of selection will be academic merit, financial need and the quality and nature of the research topic. Successful applicants will have a grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of 6.00 (see Notes I-II).
6. The Award shall be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Deputy Head (Academic) of the School of Humanities (or nominee) and two academic members of the disciplinary area of History (at least one of whom specialises in United States History).
7. The Award shall be paid in one instalment in the first semester.
8. The Award may be held concurrently 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 is not obliged to make an award if in any year there is no candidate of sufficient merit.

10. 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 Award.

11. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 7 October in the year preceding the award.

Notes

I. For the purposes of this Award, academic merit is defined as a Scholarships GPA or GPE obtained over the applicant’s most recently two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent).

II. Financial need will be demonstrated by a range of factors including current or previous eligibility for a StudyLink Student Allowance, and personal and financial circumstances.