James Deaker Women in Technology Scholarship

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2019 and is funded by James Deaker, an alumnus of the Faculty of Engineering at the University of Auckland, now resident in the United States.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support a woman student enrolled in their first year of an undergraduate programme in the Faculty of Engineering or the Faculty of Science with a focus on technology.

**Selection process**

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- Short-listed applicants may be required to attend an interview
- 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 James Deaker Women in Technology Scholarship.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded for a period of up to four years and will be of the value of $8,000 per annum.
3. The Scholarship may be offered to women students who are citizens of New Zealand.
4. To take up and be paid the Scholarship, the candidate must be enrolled and have paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for full-time enrolment in the first year of a Bachelor of Advanced Science (Honours) (BAdvSci(Hons)), Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (BE(Hons)) or Bachelor of Science (BSc) or associated conjoint degree at the University of Auckland.
5. The basis of selection will be academic merit based on results at Level 2 or higher in the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) or an equivalent qualification. Successful applicants will have a GPE of at least 6.00. The personal circumstances of applicants will also be taken into consideration including whether the applicant is the first member of their family to attend a university (see Note I). Short-listed applicants may be required to attend an interview.
6. As a condition of tenure, recipients will be required to maintain a grade point average (GPA) of at least 6.00 (equivalent to a B+ average) in each semester of study (see Note II).

7. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering (or nominee), the Dean of the Faculty of Science (or nominee) and a representative of the donor.

8. The Scholarship will be paid in two annual lump sums, in the third week of Semester One and Semester Two in each year of enrolment.

9. The Scholarship may not be held concurrently with a University of Auckland Top Achiever Scholarship, University of Auckland Māori Academic Excellence Scholarship, a University of Auckland Pacific Academic Excellence Scholarship, a University of Auckland Academic Potential Scholarship or a Faculty Entry Level 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. It is the responsibility of the recipient to declare to the Scholarships Office all other grant, award or scholarship funding received while in payment for this Scholarship.

10. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the donor, has the power to terminate or suspend a scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Associate Dean (Undergraduate) of the Faculty of Engineering or the Associate Dean (Academic) of the Faculty of Science.

11. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if in any year there are not candidates of sufficient merit.

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

13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 25 March in the year of the award.

14. Notes [I]-[VI] below are deemed to be Regulations.

Notes

I. For the purpose of this scholarship, ‘first in family’ to attend university means the first member in their family, including parents and siblings, to enrol at a university. Adoptive and step parents and siblings are considered part of the nuclear family where they have lived with the applicant for the previous five or more years.

II. For the purposes of this/these scholarship, the recipient’s grade point average (GPA) is based on all the courses they undertake in each semester of study.

III. Recipients must be enrolled continuously in their programme of study. Deferrals for students who have already commenced their degree will not usually be approved unless there are compelling medical or adverse personal circumstances beyond the student’s control.

IV. Deferral requests must be made in writing to the Scholarships Office.

V. If a student enrols at another tertiary institution in New Zealand, the scholarship will lapse.

VI. 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.