John Cowie Reid Memorial Drama Scholarship

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2014 and is funded by the John Cowie Reid Memorial Fund.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support a student enrolled in the Faculty of Arts at Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland, undertaking postgraduate study in Drama.

**Selection process**

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- 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 John Cowie Reid Memorial Drama Scholarship.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually, for a period of one year, and will be of the value of up to $5,000. Payment will be pro-rated for part-time study.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident, ii) enrolled, or enrolling, full-time or part-time in a Bachelor of Arts (Honours), Postgraduate Diploma in Arts or Master of Arts degree in Drama or a PhD in English in the Faculty of Arts at Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland, and iii) undertaking study related to Drama. A grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 6.00 (5.50 for Māori and Pacific candidates) in the most recent qualifying programme is required for Scholarship consideration (see Note II).
4. The basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) calculated over the most recent qualifying programme, demonstrated potential in Drama and demonstrable financial need as assessed by the criteria in Note III and a personal statement.
5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Deputy Head Postgraduate of the School of Humanities (or nominee), the Major/Specialisation Leader of Drama (or nominee) and an additional academic staff member from Drama.
6. The Scholarship will be paid in one instalment in Semester One, as soon as is practical after confirmation of the awardee’s enrolment (that is, after the final date on which a student may add or delete courses without incurring a late enrolment fee). Payment to part-time students will be pro-rated.

7. To be paid the Scholarship, the awardee must be enrolled i) in a Bachelor of Arts (Honours), Postgraduate Diploma in Arts or Master of Arts degree in Drama or a PhD in English, and ii) undertaking study related to Drama.

8. The Scholarship may be held concurrently with any other scholarship, award or grant as long as the regulations for that scholarship, award or grant permit and the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves. It is the responsibility of the awardee to declare to the Scholarships Office all other scholarships, awards and grant funding received and for which the awardee receives payment while also in payment for this Scholarship.

9. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there is no candidate that meets the criteria and/or no candidate of sufficient merit.

10. Payments under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax-free as long as they are used for the payment of costs associated with an awardee’s programme of study and/or to assist the awardee with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.

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

12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 11 April 2023 in the year of the award.

13. Notes [I]-[IV] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

I. The tax-free status of this Scholarship is under current legislation. The University of Auckland cannot guarantee this tax-free outcome.

II. The most recent qualifying programme is defined as the most recently completed programme of study that qualifies the applicant for entry to the postgraduate programme for which they are applying. Where the most recently completed programme is a conjoint programme the GPA/GPE will be calculated over the relevant component of the conjoint programme. The maximum approved exchange or transfer credit that can be excluded from the GPA/GPE calculation is 60 points. Where a bridging programme, including a Transitional Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Certificate of Proficiency, is required to qualify the applicant for entry to a postgraduate programme for which they are applying or are currently enrolled, the qualifying programme is the bridging programme and the most recently completed prior programme.

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

IV. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and must notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that an awardee is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received.