Kelliher Charitable Trust Honours/Masters Scholarship in Economics

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2012 and is funded by the Kelliher Charitable Trust. The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support the Trust’s interest in promoting the economic well-being of New Zealanders.

**Selection process**

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- Short-listed applicants may be asked 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 Kelliher Charitable Trust Honours/Masters Scholarship in Economics. Successful applicants will be known as “Kelliher Charitable Trust Scholars”.
2. Up to three Scholarships may be available annually as funds permit, each for a period of one year, and will be of the value of up to $10,000 each.
3. To take up the Scholarship, recipients must be enrolled and have paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for full-time study in a Bachelor of Commerce (Honours), Bachelor of Arts (Honours), Master of Commerce, or Master of Arts majoring in Economics.
4. The Scholarship is tenable by students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.
5. 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, and demonstrated potential to undertake research on a topic that will be beneficial to the economic well-being of New Zealand. Successful candidates will have a minimum GPA/GPE of 7.00 (6.50 for Māori and Pacific candidates) (see Note I).
6. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Business and Economics (or nominee), the Head of the Department of Economics (or nominee) and one representative of the Kelliher Charitable Trust (see Note III).

7. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if in any year there is no candidate of sufficient merit.

8. The Scholarship will be paid in two instalments of up to $5,000 each: one in the first semester, and one in the second semester.

9. The Scholarship 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.

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 Head of the Department of Economics.

11. The University of Auckland 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 Scholarship.

12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 14 July in the year of the award.

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

**Notes**

I. 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 qualifying programme is a conjoint programme the GPA/GPE will be calculated over the entirety of the conjoint programme. The maximum approved exchange or transfer credit that can be excluded from the GPA/GPE calculation for the qualifying programme is 60 points. Where the most recently completed programme is a Transitional Certificate, the qualifying programme is the Transitional Certificate and the most recently completed degree.

II. In making a recommendation for the Scholarship the Selection Committee shall take into account other scholarships, bursaries and awards held by the candidates, with a view to achieving a fair distribution of monies among qualifying candidates.

III. Candidates may be asked to present their research findings to the Kelliher Charitable Trust trustees and/or their nominees.

IV. Recipients of a Kelliher Charitable Trust Honours/Masters Scholarship in Economics will be required to give undertakings that they will comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and will notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment, employment or funding status. The University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that a recipient of a Kelliher Charitable Trust Honours/Masters Scholarship in Economics is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.