The Scholarship was established in 1925 by the Trustees of the estate of the late Lissie Rathbone.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage and support undergraduate students in the study of both English and History at Stage II.

**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 Lissie Rathbone Scholarship.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually, for a period of one year, and will be of the value of up to $3,000.
3. 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 Stage II of a Bachelor of Arts or conjoint degree studying English and History.
4. The Scholarships are tenable by students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.
5. The basis of selection will be academic merit (see Note I). Applicants will also be required to write a 250 word statement outlining their future study intentions and potential to succeed in the fields of English and History.
6. 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 Arts (or nominee), the Head of the English, Drama and Writing Studies (or nominee) and the Head of History (or nominee).
7. The Scholarship will be paid two instalments: one in the first, and one in the second semester.
8. The Scholarship may be held concurrently with any other award or grant as long as a) the terms of that award or grant permit and b) the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves.
9. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the Donor, has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives an unsatisfactory report on the progress of a Scholar from the Dean of the Faculty of Arts.
10. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if in any year there is no candidate of sufficient merit.

11. 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 Scholarship.

12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 31 May in the year of the award.

13. Note[I] below is deemed to be a regulation.

Notes

I. For the purpose of this Scholarship, academic merit is assessed over the applicant’s four best Stage I English and History courses.