

# Mark Barrow Education and Social Work Scholarship

<b>Code:</b>	1091
<b>Faculty:</b>	Education and Social Work
<b>Applicable study:</b>	Masters thesis
<b>Closing date:</b>	7 March 2022
<b>Tenure:</b>	One year
<b>For:</b>	Assistance with study
<b>Number on offer:</b>	One
<b>Offer rate:</b>	Annually
<b>Value:</b>	\$5,000

## Description

The Scholarship was established in 2020 and is funded by Mark Barrow, Dean of the Faculty of Education and Social Work.

The intention of the Scholarship is to support a student to undertake a master's thesis or research portfolio in the Faculty of Education and Social Work at the University of Auckland Waipapa Taumata Rau that aims to make a positive contribution towards addressing an issue or issues related to social or educational inequality.

## 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 Mark Barrow Education and Social Work Scholarship.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually, for a period of up to one year and will be of the value of \$5,000. Payments to part-time students will be pro-rated.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand, ii) enrolled, or enrolling, full-time or part-time in a masters thesis or research portfolio with a points value of at least 90 points in the Faculty of Education and Social Work at the University of Auckland Waipapa Taumata Rau, and iii) undertaking, or planning to undertake, research addressing an issue or issues about social or educational inequality relating to Māori, Pacific peoples, people with disabilities, members of the LGBTIQ Takatapu+ community, people from refugee backgrounds or from low-socio economic groups, and where students are first in their family to attend university (see Notes I to VI). Students who are enrolled in a masters programme of more than 120 points must be enrolled in the thesis or research portfolio component at the time of take-up of the Scholarship to be eligible for consideration. 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 VII).

4. The basis of selection will be academic achievement as assessed by the GPA or GPE calculated over the most recent qualifying programme (see Note VII), the quality, nature and relevance of the proposed research, relevant professional experience, and the applicant's intentions to work with the community they are researching, as assessed by a personal statement.
5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising Te Tumu of the Faculty of Education and Social Work (or nominee), the Head of the School of Counselling, Human Services and Social Work of the Faculty of Education and Social Work (or nominee) and one representative of the donor.
6. To be paid the Scholarship, the awardee must be enrolled in a masters thesis or research portfolio with a points value of at least 90 points component in the Faculty of Education and Social Work.
7. Payment will be made in one lump sum in the first semester of enrolment in the thesis or research portfolio, 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).
8. The Mark Barrow Education and Social Work Scholarship may be held with any other scholarship, award or grant where the Regulations for that scholarship, award or grant permit and where 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 or grant funding received and for which the awardee receives payment while also in payment for this Scholarship.
9. The University of Auckland Waipapa Taumata Rau can amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the donor, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
10. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 7 March in the year of the award.
11. Notes [I] – [IX] below are deemed to be Regulations.

## Notes

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- I. *For the purposes of this Scholarship, Pacific peoples are of indigenous Pacific descent from any of the following islands: Samoa, American Samoa, Tonga, Cook Islands, Niue, Tokelau, Fiji, Rotuma, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Kiribati, Tuvalu, Palau, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Wallis and Futuna, Hawaii, French Polynesia, Rapanui (Easter Island).*
- II. *For the purposes of this Scholarship, people with disabilities refers to both visible and invisible impairments including: blind and low vision, Deaf and hearing impaired, head injury, ongoing medical conditions, diagnosed mental health conditions, physical/mobility impairments, speech impairments, Autism Spectrum Disorder, specific learning disabilities (e.g. dyslexia, dyspraxia, dyscalculia).*
- III. *For the purposes of this Scholarship, the (LGBTIQTakatapui+) community includes people who identify as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, Queer, Takatapui +.*
- IV. *For the purposes of this Scholarship, a refugee background refers to people who have themselves or whose parents/primary guardian(s) have been granted refuge in New Zealand.*
- V. *For the purposes of this Scholarship, low-socio economic groups are defined as a combination of social and economic factors including parents without educational qualifications, low household income, parents in low skilled occupations, reliance on government income support and household overcrowding.*
- VI. *For the purposes of this Scholarship, first in their 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.*
- VII. *The most recent qualifying programme is defined as the most recently completed programme of study that qualifies the applicant for entry to the research masters programme for which they are applying. Where the qualifying 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 for the qualifying programme 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 the*

*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.*

- VIII. 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.*
- IX. 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. The University of Auckland Waipapa Taumata Rau 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.*