

# Professor John Asher Graduate Scholarship in German

<b>Code:</b>	580
<b>Faculty:</b>	Arts
<b>Applicable study:</b>	BA (Hons) or MA in German
<b>Closing date:</b>	15 March
<b>Tenure:</b>	One year
<b>For:</b>	Assistance
<b>Number on offer:</b>	One
<b>Offer rate:</b>	Annually
<b>Value:</b>	Up to \$4,500

## Description

The Professor John Asher Graduate Scholarship in German was established in 2009 to encourage research in German. The Scholarship has been made possible through the generosity of Mrs Monica Asher and the family of Professor John Asher.

Professor John Asher was a graduate and a member of the staff of the University of Auckland. As founding Professor of German and Head of Department from 1958 to 1986 he developed the longstanding relationships the University holds with German academic institutions, the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), and the German community in New Zealand.

## 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 Professor John Asher Graduate Scholarship in German.
2. One scholarship will be awarded annually to the value of up to \$4,500.
3. The Scholarship will be awarded to a graduate student in the School of Cultures, Languages and Linguistics, enrolled in a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) or a Master of Arts in German. A Bachelor of Arts (Honours) recipient who is proceeding to a Master of Arts in German in the following year may re-apply at the closing date for consideration in the next year's round.
4. Selection will be based on academic merit as assessed by the grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) calculated over the most recent qualifying programme and the quality of the applicant's research proposal. A GPA/GPE of 7.00 or above (6.50 for Māori and Pacific candidates) is required for scholarship consideration.
5. The Scholarship will be paid in two instalments, one in each semester.
6. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection

- Committee comprising the Head of the School of Cultures, Languages and Linguistics (or nominee), the Discipline Convenor of German (or nominee) and one other academic member of staff nominated by the Head of School.
7. The Scholarship may be held concurrently 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 recipient 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.
  8. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if in any year there is no candidate of sufficient merit.
  9. The University of Auckland Council has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Associate Dean (Postgraduate) of the Faculty of Arts or the Head of the School of Cultures, Languages and Linguistics.
  10. The University of Auckland Council has power to amend or vary these Regulations in consultation with the Head of the School of Cultures, Languages and Linguistics and with the Donor (or the Executors of her estate) provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
  11. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 15 March in the year of the award.
  12. Notes [I]-[III] below are deemed to be Regulations.

## Notes

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- 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 most recently completed 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 prior degree.*
- II. 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 to assist the awardee with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.*
- III. Recipients of a Professor John Asher Graduate Scholarship in German 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 Professor John Asher Graduate Scholarship in German is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.*