School of Medical Sciences International Masters Scholarship

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2019 and is funded by the School of Medical Sciences at the University of Auckland.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to attract new international students of high calibre to enrol in masters level study for one year or two years at the School of Medical Sciences, in the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences at the University of Auckland.

**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 School of Medical Sciences International Masters Scholarship.
2. Up to five Scholarships will be awarded annually, for a period of up to two years and will be of the value of up to $20,000 per annum paid as a compulsory fees credit. (See Note I).
3. The Scholarship may be awarded only to new international students who have received an offer of study to undertake a Master of Biomedical Science, Master of Science in Pharmacology, or Master of Science in Physiology at the University of Auckland. Students who have already commenced their programme are not eligible for consideration for this Scholarship.
4. The Scholarship is tenable by international students (see Note II).
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. Applicants must have a GPA/GPE of 7.00 or above in their most recent qualifying programme to be eligible for scholarship consideration. The programme of study or country of origin of the applicant, and the University’s strategic aims and the objectives of the School of Medical Sciences International Masters Scholarship.
Sciences may also be taken into consideration by the Selection Committee (see Note III).

6. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Head of the School of Medical Sciences (or nominee), the School of Medical Sciences Postgraduate Director (or nominee) and the Senior International Manager of the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences (or nominee).

7. Payment will be made as a contribution towards compulsory tuition fees in each semester of enrolment.

8. Students enrolled in a 240 point masters degree must achieve a GPA of 7.00 in the first year of their programme to hold the Scholarship for the second year (see Note IV).

9. The School of Medical Sciences International Masters 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 so approves.

10. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if there is no candidate of sufficient merit.

11. 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 Medical and Health Sciences.

12. The University of Auckland Council has the power to amend or vary these Regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 11 May in the year of the award and 1 December in the year preceding the award.


Notes

I. Compulsory fees are only those related to the relevant programme of study, plus Student Services Fee.

II. International students are students who are neither citizens nor permanent residents of New Zealand or Australia.

III. The most recent qualifying programme is defined as the most recently completed programme of study that qualifies the applicant for entry to the masters 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 prior degree.

IV. A recipient of a School of Medical Sciences International Masters Scholarship may not continue to hold the Scholarship while enrolled in an extension.

V. Recipients of a School of Medical Sciences International Masters Scholarship 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 School of Medical Sciences International Masters Scholarship is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds from the date of the breach.

VI. These regulations are subject to Senate and Council approval.