Sir Robert Jones Scholarship in Philosophy

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2004 and is financed by Sir Robert Jones (the Donor).

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage excellence in the study of Philosophy and to increase opportunities to study Philosophy for students of the University of Auckland.

**Selection process**

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses and shortlists the applications
- The Scholarship is awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the donor

**Regulations**

1. The Scholarship shall be known as the Sir Robert Jones Scholarship in Philosophy.
2. Up to two Scholarships will be awarded per annum, each for a period of up to three years, and will be of the value of up to $5,000 per annum, to students who at the time of application, have a declared major in Philosophy in the Faculty of Arts at the University of Auckland.
3. The Scholarship will be awarded to undergraduate students of the University of Auckland who have completed at least two Stage One Philosophy courses and who have paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees for enrolment in a Bachelor of Arts (or an eligible Bachelor of Arts conjoint degree) majoring in Philosophy (see Note I). Students undertaking a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) are not eligible to apply for or to hold these Scholarships.
4. The basis of selection will be academic merit and demonstrated financial need. In determining academic merit, the Selection Committee will use the applicant’s GPA in their best two Stage One courses and the quality and philosophical potential, evident in the applicant’s coursework in those courses, as judged by the Selection Committee (see Notes II-III).
5. The Scholarship is tenable by students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.
6. The shortlisting of candidates will be undertaken by a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Arts (or nominee), the Discipline Convenor of Philosophy (or nominee) and one academic staff member from the
School of Humanities nominated by the Dean of the Faculty of Arts. Final awarding will be made by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of the donor.

7. Each Scholarship will be paid in one lump sum in the second semester of each year for which the award is tenable (see Note II).

8. 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 Discipline Convenor of Philosophy.

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

10. The University of Auckland may amend or vary these Regulations (in consultation with the Donor) provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

11. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 1 December in the year preceding the award.

12. Notes [I]-[IV] below are deemed to be Regulations.

Notes

I. Eligible conjoints are those with Law, Creative Arts and Industries, Engineering, Education, Science and Medical and Health Sciences.

II. Financial need will be determined by a range of factors including current eligibility for a StudyLink Student Allowance and personal and financial circumstances.

III. Preference will be given to applicants who have completed these courses in the 18 months immediately prior to their application for the Scholarship.

IV. Recipients completing their Bachelor of Arts degree or Philosophy major part-time will be paid the scholarship on a pro-rata basis.