Stella Baron Award

**Code:** 281  
**Faculty:** Medical and Health Sciences  
**Applicable study:** Parts II, III, IV or V of an MBCHB  
**Closing date:** 3 May  
**Tenure:** One year  
**For:** Assistance  
**Number on offer:** Up to two  
**Offer rate:** Annually  
**Value:** Up to $2,500

**Description**

The Award was established by the Trustees of the Will of the late Stella M C Baron, and is funded through Perpetual Guardian’s University of Auckland – Medical School Fund.

The main purpose of the Award is to assist students undertaking Parts II, III, IV or V of a Bachelor of Medicine and a Bachelor of Surgery, especially where this funding would make a significant contribution to their financial needs.

**Selection process**

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office  
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications  
- The Award is made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

**Regulations**

1. The Award shall be known as the Stella Baron Award.
2. Up to two Awards will be offered annually, each for a period of one year, and each of the value of up to $2,500. A recipient of the Award may reapply in subsequent years.
3. To take up and be paid the Award, candidates must be enrolled and have paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for enrolment in Part II, III IV or V of a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB).
4. The Award is tenable by students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.
5. The basis of selection will be academic merit and demonstrated financial need. Successful applicants will have a grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 5.00 (see Notes I and II).
6. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Head of the Medical Programme (or nominee), the Director of Medical Student Affairs (or nominee), the Group Services Manager (Medical Programme Directorate) (or nominee), the Student Academic Services and Engagement Manager of the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences (or nominee) and a representative of the Trustees.
7. The Award will be paid in one instalment upon award.
8. The Award may be held concurrently with any other scholarship, award or grant as long as a) the terms of that scholarship, award or grant permit and b) the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves.

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

10. 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 Award.

11. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 3 May in the year of the award.

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

Notes

I. For the purposes of this Award, academic merit will be assessed as a Scholarships GPA or GPE obtained over the applicant’s most recent two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent).

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

III. Payments under the terms of this Award remain tax-free as long as they are used directly for the payment of costs associated with an awardee’s programme of study. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Award.

IV. Recipients of a Stella Baron Award will be required to give undertakings that they will comply with the regulations for this Award and will notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. The University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that a recipient of a Stella Baron Award is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Award and require repayment of the funds received.