

Taurus Charitable Trust Entry-Level Scholarship in Music

Code: 807

Faculty: Creative Arts and Industries

Applicable study: First year of a BMus or BMus conjoint degree

Closing date: 11 October 2023

Tenure: One Year

For: Assistance with study

Number on offer: Up to Two Offer rate: Annually

Value: Up to \$4,000 each

Description

The Scholarship was established in 2015 and is funded by the Taurus Charitable Trust.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to assist school leavers who have the potential to succeed in the School of Music and for whom the financial contribution 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 Scholarship is awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

Regulations

- 1. The Scholarship shall be known as the Taurus Charitable Trust Entry-Level Scholarship in Music.
- 2. Up to two Scholarships will be awarded annually, each for a period of one year, and will be of the value of up to \$4,000 each.
- 3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand, ii) currently enrolled in Year 13 at a New Zealand secondary school or kura, and iii) intending to enrol full-time in a Bachelor of Music (BMus) or BMus conjoint degree in the School of Music at the University of Auckland in the following year.
- 4. The basis of selection will be academic merit based on results at Level 2 in the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) or an equivalent qualification, the applicant's potential to succeed in the field of Music and demonstrated financial need as assessed by a personal statement (see Note I).
- 5. 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 Music (or nominee) and two members from the School of Music Scholarships Committee nominated by the Head of the School of Music.
- 6. To be paid the Scholarship, awardees must i) gain admission to the University of Auckland with an NCEA rank score of at least 240, a CIE rank score of 300 or an IB score of at least 32, which are equivalent to a University of Auckland

- admissions grade point equivalent (GPE) of 5.00, and ii) be enrolled full-time in a BMus or BMus conjoint degree at the University of Auckland.
- 7. The Scholarship will be paid in two equal instalments in Semester One and Two, 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 Scholarship may be held concurrently with any other scholarship, award or grant as long as the regulations for that scholarship, award or grant permit and 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 Council, in consultation with the Donor, has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Head of the School of Music.
- 10. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there is no candidate that meets the criteria and/or no candidate of sufficient merit.
- 11. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the Donor, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
- 12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 11 October in the year preceding the award.
- 13. Notes [I]-[III] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

- I. Financial need will be determined by a range of factors including current eligibility for a StudyLink Student Allowance, and personal and financial circumstances. Applicants need to demonstrate that they are experiencing financial hardship and that they are struggling to meet basic living costs. Incurred debt is not evidence of financial hardship.
- 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/or to assist the awardee with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.
- III. 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 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 from the date of the breach.