The Sir Mont Liggins Memorial Scholarships

**Description**

The Scholarships were established in 2016 and are funded by the Mont Liggins Memorial Fund. The intention of the scholarships is to encourage and support academically excellent students to undertake a Master of Science or Master of Health Sciences that falls within one or more of the strategic research themes of the University of Auckland Liggins Institute.

The Liggins Institute has a number of overlapping research themes exploring the ways in which factors in the early life environment affect health throughout the life course and influence the health of following generations. A particular focus is on the effect of altered early life nutrition on later life health. Opportunities span basic science, clinical and translational research platforms.

**Selection process**

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

**Regulations**

1. The Scholarships will be known as the Sir Mont Liggins Memorial Scholarships.
2. Two Scholarships will be awarded annually, each for a period of one year, and will be of the value of up to $7,500 each.
3. The Scholarships will be available to new students applying for admission to a Master of Science (Research) or a Master of Health Sciences (Research) based in and supervised by academic staff from the Liggins Institute at the University of Auckland. Students already enrolled in a Master of Science (Research) or a Master of Health Sciences (Research) are not eligible for consideration for these Scholarships.
4. To take up and be paid the Scholarships the candidates must be enrolled and have paid the fees, or arranged to pay...
the fees, for full-time enrolment in a Master of Science (Research) or a Master of Health Sciences (Research) that falls within one or more of the strategic research themes of the University of Auckland Liggins Institute.

5. The Scholarships are tenable by students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.

6. The basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the grade point average (GPA) calculated over the most recent qualifying programme (see Note I).

7. The Scholarships will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Director (or nominee), the Academic Director (or nominee) and the Research Director (or nominee) of the Liggins Institute.

8. The Scholarship will be paid as a fees credit, in the first semester.

9. The Scholarship may be held concurrently with any other award or grant as long as a) the terms of that award or grant permit and b) the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves.

10. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the Director of the Liggins Institute, has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives an unsatisfactory report on the progress of a Scholar from the Head of the Department or thesis supervisor.

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

12. 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 Scholarship.

13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 22 October in the year preceding the award.

14. Notes [I]-[II] below are deemed to be Regulations.

Notes

I. The most recent qualifying programme is defined as the most recently completed programme of study that qualifies the applicant for entry to the research masters programme for which they are applying.

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