University of Auckland International Student Excellence Scholarship

**Description**

The University of Auckland International Student Excellence Scholarship was established in 2016.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to attract new international students of high calibre to enrol in undergraduate or postgraduate taught study of one year or more at the University of Auckland.

**Selection process**

- Applications are 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 University of Auckland International Student Excellence Scholarship.
2. Up to 50 Scholarships will be awarded annually, and will be of the value of up to $10,000 each for postgraduate and undergraduate study.
3. New international students who have received an unconditional offer, or English Language Academy (ELA) students who have received a conditional offer, of study to undertake a Postgraduate Diploma or Masters (taught) of 120 points or more, or an undergraduate degree (applying with overseas secondary or post-secondary qualifications) at the University of Auckland are eligible for consideration for this Scholarship. Students who have already commenced study at the University of Auckland will not be eligible to apply (see Notes I to II).
4. The Scholarship is tenable by international students (see Note VI).
5. The basis of selection will be academic merit, the quality of the letter of application and endorsement by the applicant’s referee. The country of origin of the applicant may be considered by the selection committee to align with...
the University's strategic aims. A grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 6.00 is required for consideration for the Scholarship (see Note III).

6. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a selection committee comprising the Deputy Vice Chancellor Strategic Engagement (or nominee), the Director International (or nominee), and two faculty representatives from the International Committee.

7. The Scholarship will be paid as a compulsory fees credit towards the first semester of study at the University of Auckland (see Note IV).

8. The Scholarship may not be deferred until the following semester. A new Scholarship application will be required.

9. The Scholarship may be held with any other scholarship, grant or award 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 recipient 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.

10. 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 Head of Department or School in which the Scholar is enrolled.

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, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 21 November in the year preceding the award and 20 April in the year of the award.

14. Notes [I]-[VIII] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

I. Students enrolling in a Research Masters programme are not eligible to apply for this Scholarship.

II. Undergraduate students from University of Auckland Foundation Providers (UP Education and Taylors College) and New Zealand secondary-school leavers are not eligible to apply for this Scholarship.

III. For the purpose of this Scholarship, academic merit is assessed as an Admissions Grade Point Average or Grade Point Equivalent (GPE).

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

V. Students must be enrolled as “on Campus” registrations. Students enrolling as distance education students will not be eligible to apply.

VI. International students are students who are neither citizens, permanent residents nor resident visa holders of New Zealand or Australia.

VII. Payments under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax-free as long as they are used for the payments of costs associated with an awardee’s programme of study and to assist the awardee with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.

VIII. Recipients of a University of Auckland International Student Excellence 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 or funding status. The University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that a recipient of a University of Auckland International Student Excellence Scholarship is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.