Warren and Mahoney Masters Award

Description

The Award was established in 2021 and is funded by Warren and Mahoney, a New Zealand multidisciplinary architectural design practice.

The intention of the Award is to encourage and support Māori students and Pacific students to undertake a Master of Architecture (Professional) at Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland.

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 will be known as the Warren and Mahoney Masters Award.
2. Two Awards will be made annually for a period of up to two years and will be of the total value of $10,000 paid over a two year tenure at $5,000 per annum (see Note II).
3. To be eligible for Award consideration, an applicant must be i) of Māori or Pacific descent, ii) either a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident or a citizen or permanent resident of a Pacific island (see Note III), and iii) enrolled, or enrolling, full-time at the University of Auckland in a Master of Architecture (Professional) (MArch(Prof)).
4. The basis of selection will be academic achievement as assessed by the grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) calculated over the most recent qualifying programme (see Note IV), and the quality of a portfolio of recent design work (see Note V). Applicants are required to write a personal statement describing their connection to te ao Māori or their Pacific culture.
5. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Head of the School of Architecture and Planning (or nominee), one member of Academic Staff from the School of Architecture and Planning nominated by the Head of School, and one representative of the donor.
6. The Award will be paid in two equal instalments (see Note II). The first instalment will be paid upon acceptance of the
Award. The second instalment will be paid in Semester One and Two of the following year, 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).

7. To be paid the Award, awardees must be enrolled full-time in a MArch(Prof) programme.

8. The Award may be held with any other scholarship, award or grant where the Regulations for that award or grant permit and where 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 Award.

9. 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.

10. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the donor, has the power to terminate or suspend an Award if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress by a Scholar from the Head of the School of Architecture and Planning.

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 Award.

12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 31 August in the year of the award.


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**Notes**

I. The tax-free status of this Award is under current legislation. The University of Auckland cannot guarantee this tax-free outcome.

II. Applicants enrolling in the second year of the MArch(Prof) may be considered for an Award with a maximum value of $5,000, paid in a single instalment.

III. For the purposes of this Scholarship, Pacific applicants are defined as Citizens or Permanent Residents of New Zealand or a Pacific island who are of indigenous Pacific descent from any of the following islands: Samoa, American Samoa, Tonga, Cook Islands, Niue, Tokelau, Fiji (iTaukei), Rotuma, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Kiribati, Tuvalu, Palau, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Wallis and Futuna, Hawaii, French Polynesia, Rapanui (Easter Island), Pitcairn Islands, Nauru, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands.

IV. The most recent qualifying programme is defined as the most recently completed programme of study that qualifies the applicant for entry to the masters programme for which they are applying or are currently enrolled. Where the qualifying programme is a conjoint programme the GPA/GPE will be calculated over the relevant component of the conjoint programme. The maximum approved exchange or transfer credit that can be excluded from the GPA/GPE calculation for the qualifying programme is 60 points. Where a bridging programme, including a Transitional Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Certificate of Proficiency, is required to qualify the applicant for entry to the postgraduate programme for which they are applying or are currently enrolled, the qualifying programme is the bridging programme and the most recently completed prior programme.

V. The portfolio is to consist of up to six examples of designs created in the preceding 12 months, as digital files collated into a single portrait-oriented pdf file, each example with relevant captioning such as date, title and medium.

VI. Payments under the terms of this Award 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 (see Note I). Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Award.

VII. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Award and must notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that an awardee is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Award and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.