William Henry Staunton Memorial Scholarship

**Code:** 610  
**Faculty:** Medical and Health Sciences  
**Applicable study:** PhD students in the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences, with a preference for those undertaking cancer-related research  
**Closing date:** TBC  
**Tenure:** Up to three years (Refer to Regulation 6 and Note II)  
**For:** Assistance  
**Number on offer:** One  
**Offer rate:** One every three years  
**Value:** Up to $10,000 pa stipend and up to $4,500 pa for research-related costs

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2009 and is funded by the estate of the late Nancy Jones, in recognition of her father, William Staunton.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support a PhD student undertaking medical research in the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences at the University of Auckland, preferably in the field of cancer research.

**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 William Henry Staunton Memorial Scholarship.  
2. One Scholarship will normally be awarded every three years, and will provide a tax-free stipend of up to $10,000 pa and research-related costs of up to $4,500 pa, for up to 36 months. A further six months of scholarship funding may be available, subject to Scholarships Sub-Committee approval (see Note II). These durations shall be pro-rated for part-time students.  
3. The Scholarship will be awarded to a PhD candidate who has paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for enrolment in the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences, with a preference for those who are undertaking cancer-related research.  
4. The basis of selection will be academic merit, the nature of the proposed research and the potential contribution to medical progress, preferably in the field of cancer research.  
5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Vice-Chancellor (or nominee), the Associate Dean (Postgraduate) of the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences (or nominee) and one member of the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences Research
Committee.

6. Payments will commence from the doctoral registration date or the date nominated by Scholarships Sub-Committee.

7. 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.

8. A Scholarship may be terminated or suspended by the University of Auckland Council should it receive a report from the Board of Graduate Studies that a candidate's conduct or academic progress is unsatisfactory.

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 has the power to amend or vary these Regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

11. Recipients are required to submit a brief report via their supervisor to the Scholarships Sub-Committee at the end of each year, outlining the progress of their work.

12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on TBC in the year preceding the award.

13. Notes [I]-[II] below are deemed to be regulations.

**Notes**

I. *Any publications arising from work done by the recipient during the tenure of the scholarship shall acknowledge the assistance given by the William Henry Staunton Memorial Scholarship.*

II. *Current recipients in their third year of funding who wish to apply for an extension of this Scholarship will be required to submit a letter requesting continuation by the closing date.*