The University of Auckland Business School selection criteria for the University of Auckland Doctoral Scholarships (UADS)

Overview
The University of Auckland Business School will award up to 11 University of Auckland Doctoral Scholarships in 2023.

In allocating these scholarships for 2023 the Business School will consider our Strategic Research Themes:

- Innovation and value creation
- Succeeding in international markets
- Productivity and sustainable business
- Leadership and governance

and the objectives set out in Taumata Teitei, including the desire to:

- Nurture, recruit, and retain outstanding research talent
- Support excellent and innovative research and the creation of high-quality research outputs
- Grow Māori candidates and research topics and strengthen relationships with Māori communities
- Grow Pacific candidates and research topics and strengthen relationships with Pacific communities
- Support Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity among candidates and research topics

PhD scholarship funded research projects
Business School research-active academic staff will propose broad project areas to be considered by the Business School Doctoral Scholarship Selection Committee which will select staff projects to be awarded one UADS each in 2023.

The projects selected to receive a UADS will be advertised on the Doctoral study in Business page.

The Selection Committee will consider the nominees for each UADS and select one recipient for each UADS in a process informed by the Business School Strategic Research Themes and the objectives set out in Taumata Teitei. The Business School committee will assess all UADS scholarship applications received against the following criteria:

1. Applicant’s track record and potential to succeed. This will be assessed by considering their success in previous academic studies, research experience, any relevant professional or other experience, and their potential to contribute to knowledge in both the discipline in general and the project in particular.
2. **Alignment** of the applicant and their application with the PhD scholarship funded project. This will be assessed by considering the scientific significance of their proposed research, its viability given the resources of the University of Auckland, and how their independent PhD research will fit into, and relate to, the PhD scholarship funded research project.

All PhD Scholarship applicants must complete an application for admission to the doctoral programme using the Business School template for the Statement of Research Intent (available on the [doctoral scholarships website page](#)) to be considered for one of the scholarships (find application information on the [doctoral applications webpage](#)) and indicate the specific advertised project that the applicant wishes to join and explain how the applicant proposes to contribute to that project.

There are three routes for potential PhD applicants for scholarship funded research projects:

a. They respond to the public information and contact the research team members to discuss the project and their suitability for it
b. They are identified as a suitable applicant through the regular pool of applicants by the supervisors
c. They can apply independently

Information and Regulations for the University of Auckland doctoral scholarships can be found on the [doctoral scholarships page](#).