

# **Summer Research Scholarships**

Frequently Asked Questions and Application Information

1. I am completing a degree/diploma at the end of the Semester Two 2016. Am I eligible to apply?

Students who are enrolled in an undergraduate degree at the time of scholarship application and who have completed at least two years of equivalent full-time study towards their undergraduate degree at the time of scholarship application are eligible to apply.

# 2. How is my GPA calculated?

Grade Point Average (GPA) is calculated over your two most recent full-time equivalent years of study. For 2016 applications, this would typically be:

- Semester Two 2014
- Semester One 2015
- Semester Two 2015
- Semester One 2016

All courses in the semester are counted.

3. Are DNCs, DNSs, Ws and fails counted in the GPA calculation?

Yes. Each of these counts in the calculation and is worth zero points.

4. Does 'working in the University or elsewhere' mean during the academic year or over the summer?

In Creative Arts and Industries we take this to mean working over the summer. We want your assurance that you will stop any full-time or part-time paid work by the end of November in order to work full-time on your Summer Research Scholarship project for 10 weeks (400 hours) from early December to late February.

5. I intend to enrol in doctoral studies. Am I eligible for a Summer Research Scholarship?

Completing Honours and PGDip students are eligible to apply. Completing Masters students are not eligible.

### 6. Should the project be student-driven?

Yes. Students can approach potential supervisors with projects and *vice versa*. We do not 'advertise' staff-driven projects as is the case in some other faculties. Students must present their project through application.

#### 7. What are some examples of outcomes for students?

Outcomes for students will usually be in a form that is accessible to other people. This might include an exhibition, performance, recording or publication. Publications include conference papers and journal articles. The outcome might be in the student's name or it might be collaborative with the supervisor. In some cases, students will be learning about the research process by working as research assistants on staff-driven research projects. In such cases, the outcomes might be in the name of the staff member, with the student identified as a research assistant.

View the list of previous Summer Scholarships recipients.

# 8. What are some examples of outcomes for staff?

Outcomes for staff might include an exhibition, performance, recording or publication. If there is no published outcome for the supervisor, then the application should at least identify how the project relates to the supervisor's research projects and research interests.

## 9. Who can be my supervisor?

Full-time academic staff are eligible supervisors. Contract or part-time academic staff cannot be supervisors. You can consult with your Departmental Graduate Adviser to identify the most suitable supervisor for your research interest.

Architecture,	Dr Dermott McMeel	d.mcmeel@auckland.ac.nz
Urban Planning,		
Urban Design		
Dance Studies	Dr Rosemary Martin	rose.martin@auckland.ac.nz
Fine Arts	Dr Ruth Watson	r.watson@auckland.ac.nz
Music	Dr Gregory Camp	g.camp@auckland.ac.nz

# How do I apply?

Applications should be submitted online via the <u>Summer Research Scholarship</u> website at the University of Auckland.