

Alison Hanham Undergraduate Scholarship in Arts

Code: 1047

Faculty: Arts and Education

Applicable study: BA or BA conjoint degree

Closing date: 9 October 2025

Tenure: One year

For: Assistance with study

Number on offer: Two
Offer rate: Annually
Value: Up to \$5,000

Description

The Scholarship was established in 2019 and is funded by the estate of Dr Alison Hanham, an alumna of the University of Auckland and former Associate Professor in History at Massey University, Palmerston North.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Arts conjoint degree students, particularly those in the School of Humanities, who are enrolling in the first year of their degree, and who are experiencing financial hardship.

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 will be known as the Alison Hanham Undergraduate Scholarship in Arts.
- 2. Two Scholarships will be awarded annually, each for a period of up to one year, and will be of the value of up to \$5,000 each. Awardees of the Scholarship may reapply in subsequent years.
- 3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident (see Note II), ii) currently enrolled in their final year at a New Zealand secondary school or kura, and iii) intending to enrol full-time in a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or Bachelor of Arts conjoint degree (see Note III) in the Faculty of Arts and Education at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland in the following year. At least one Scholarship will be awarded to a student intending to enrol in the School of Humanities, provided suitable candidates are available.
- 4. The basis of selection will be academic merit based on results at Level 2 or higher in the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) or an equivalent qualification for candidates enrolling in their first year of tertiary study, or the cumulative grade point average (GPA) for previous recipients of the scholarship who are applying again, and financial need as assessed by a personal statement and the criteria at Note IV.
- 5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection

- Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Education (or nominee) and two members of academic staff of the Faculty of Arts and Education nominated by the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Education.
- 6. The Scholarship will be paid in two equal instalments in Semester One and Two, 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 Scholarship, awardees must i) achieve admission to Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland, and ii) be enrolled full-time in a BA or BA conjoint degree (see Note III) in the Faculty of Arts and Education at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland. To be paid the second instalment, awardees will be required to achieve a grade point average (GPA) of at least 5.00 (equivalent to a B average) in their first semester of study (see Note V).
- 8. The Scholarship may be held with any other scholarship, award or grant 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 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 Scholarship.
- 9. The University of Auckland Council has the power to terminate or suspend a scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress by a Scholar from the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Education.
- 10. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there is no candidate that meet the criteria and/or no candidate of sufficient merit.
- 11. Payments under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax-free as long as they are used directly 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 Scholarship.
- 12. The University of Auckland Council can 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 9 October in the year preceding the award.
- 14. Notes [I]-[VI] below are deemed to be Regulations.

Notes

- I. The tax-free status of this Scholarship is under current legislation. The University of Auckland cannot guarantee this tax-free outcome.
- II. New Zealand Permanent Residents have been granted a Permanent Resident Visa by Immigration New Zealand. For more information visit https://www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand-visas/already-have-a-visa/becoming-a-permanent-resident.
- III. Eligible conjoint degree programmes are: BA/BAdvSci(Hons), BA/BCom, BA/BC, BA/BDes, BA/BE(Hons), BA/BFA, BA/BGlobalSt, BA/BHSc, BA/LLB, BA/BMus, and BA/BSc.
- IV. Financial need will be determined by a range of factors including eligibility for a StudyLink Student Allowance, and personal financial circumstances.
- V. For the purposes of this Scholarship, the awardees GPA is based on all the courses they undertake in each semester of study.
- VI. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Scholarship 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 Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.