

Buchanan Dance Research Residency Award

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Arts and Education
PhD in Dance Studies
27 February 2025
Up to 12 months
Assistance with study
Varies
Annually
Up to \$30,000 in total

Description

The Award was established in 2024 and is funded by Lady Rosemary Buchanan, a former principal dancer with the Royal New Zealand Ballet, and a significant supporter of creative research in Dance Studies at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland.

The intention of the Award is to encourage and support Dance Studies students to engage in extended residencies abroad, for research purposes, during the period of their PhD study at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland.

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 Award will be known as the Buchanan Dance Research Residency Award.
- 2. Awards will be made annually for a period of up to 12 months up to a total value of \$30,000.
- 3. During the tenure of the Award, the awardee will undertake one or more extended residencies abroad, with the aim of enhancing the applicant's international experiences and networks while supporting required research (see Note II).
- 4. To be eligible for Award consideration, an applicant must be i) a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident (see Notes III and IV), ii) enrolled full-time or part-time (see Note V) at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland in a PhD in Dance Studies. Applicants must be within 24 months full-time equivalent of their doctoral enrolment start date (excluding any periods of suspension) at the time of application and have had their doctoral candidature confirmed.
- 5. Students who have held a Buchanan Dance Research Residency Award are not eligible to apply again.
- 6. The basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the GPA/GPE calculated over the qualifying programme (see Note VI), the relevance of the proposed residency or residencies to the applicant's research, expertise and career aspirations (see Note II), and how the proposed residency or residencies will grow the visibility of the New Zealand creative research scene internationally, as assessed by personal statements. Applicants will be

required to provide an itinerary and a budget inclusive of quotes.

- 7. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Head of the Dance Studies Programme (or nominee), the Postgraduate Adviser (or nominee) for the Dance Studies Programme, and an additional academic staff member from the Dance Studies Programme nominated by the Head of the Programme.
- 8. The Award will be paid in one instalment on satisfaction of the requirements of Regulation 9.
- 9. To be paid the Award, an awardee must provide confirmation of acceptance into a residency programme or programmes or have created a comprehensive individualised programme (see Note VII).
- 10. The Award may be held concurrently with any other scholarship, award or grant where the Regulations for that scholarship, 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.
- 11. 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.
- 12. 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.
- 13. Awardees shall, within four weeks of their return, present a brief written report (400-600 words) to the Head of the Dance Studies programme, reflecting on their experiences and how the residency/residencies have benefited their research and the visibility of the New Zealand creative research scene internationally.
- 14. 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.
- 15. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 27 February in the year of the award.
- 16. Notes [I] [VIII] below are deemed to be Regulations.

Notes

- *I.* The tax-free status of this Award is under current legislation. The University of Auckland cannot guarantee this tax-free outcome.
- II. In no case does consideration for, or receipt of, this award in any way entitle an applicant to University approval for off-campus research. Applications and consideration for off-campus research form a separate matter and are subject to the off-campus policy for the relevant degree. Awardees remain responsible for the tuition fee implications of any periods of time overseas.
- III. 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-apermanent-resident.
- IV. To be eligible to pay domestic PhD fees, recipients who are Permanent Residents of New Zealand may only be resident outside of New Zealand for a maximum total of twelve months over the period of their enrolment in their doctoral degree and only for the purposes of conducting research that cannot be conducted at an equivalent level in New Zealand.
- *V.* Awardees who are enrolled part-time in their PhD programme must be enrolled full-time for any month that includes a period of residency funded by this Award.
- VI. The qualifying programme is the programme that primarily qualified them for admission to the PhD. Where the qualifying programme is an undergraduate honours degree (or equivalent undergraduate degree or integrated undergraduate and postgraduate degree), the grade point average or equivalent will be calculated over the final two years of full-time study (or equivalent) in the programme. In all other cases, the grade point average or equivalent will be calculated over the entirety of the programme.
- VII. Awardees must comply with the University's Travel Policy and Travel Booking Procedures (refer to https://www.auckland.ac.nz/en/about-us/about-the-university/policy-hub/enabling-environment/finance-capital-

risk/travel/travel-booking-procedures.html).

VIII. 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.