

# Dame Charmian J. O'Connor Award in Chemistry

Code: 557
Faculty: Science

Applicable study: Stage II of BSc in Chemistry

Closing date: By nomination Tenure: One year

For: Assistance with study

Number on offer:OneOffer rate:AnnuallyValue:\$1,500

### **Description**

The Award was established in 2008 by an endowment gift from Emeritus Professor Dame Charmian J. O'Connor.

The main purpose of the Award is to contribute towards tuition expenses for women students who have demonstrated academic excellence in chemistry prior to their second year of undergraduate study.

### Selection process

- Nomination is made to the Scholarships Office
- The Award is made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Head of the School of Chemical Sciences

## Regulations

- 1. The Award shall be known as the Dame Charmian J. O'Connor Award in Chemistry.
- 2. One Award will be made annually, for a period of one year, and will be of the value of \$1,500.
- 3. To be eligible for Award consideration, a candidate must i) be a woman student, ii) be a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand, iii) be enrolled full-time in Stage II Chemistry courses in a Bachelor of Science (BSC) or associated conjoint degree or a Bachelor of Advanced Science (Honours) or associated conjoint degree at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland, and iv) have completed CHEM 110 Chemistry of the Living World and CHEM 120 Chemistry of the Material World. Candidates must have achieved at least an A- grade in CHEM 100 and CHEM 120 to be considered for the Award.
- 4. The basis of selection will be academic merit and commitment to the study of Chemistry, usually as evidenced by best overall performance in Stage I Chemistry courses CHEM 110 Chemistry of the Living World and CHEM 120 Chemistry of the Material World, and the level of enrolment in Stage II Chemistry courses.
- 5. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Head of the School of Chemical Sciences (or nominee).
- 6. To be paid the Award, the awardee must be enrolled in Stage II Chemistry courses in a BSc or associated conjoint degree or a BAdvSci(Hons) or associated conjoint degree.

- 7. The Award will be paid as a contribution towards compulsory tuition fees in Semester One 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). If the awardee's full fees have already been covered by another approved scholarship, award or grant, the value of the Dame Charmian J O'Connor Award in Chemistry may be paid out in one lump sum to assist the awardee with living costs.
- 8. The Award may be held concurrently 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 Award.
- 9. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the Donor, has the power to terminate or suspend an Award if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Head of the School of Chemical Sciences.
- 10. 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.
- 11. 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.
- 12. Notes [I]-[II] below are deemed to be regulations.

#### **Notes**

- I. 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. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Award.
- II. 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.