

# Denham Shale Memorial Scholarship

<b>Code:</b>	936
<b>Faculty:</b>	Law
<b>Applicable study:</b>	Master of Laws
<b>Closing date:</b>	30 July 2025
<b>Tenure:</b>	One year
<b>For:</b>	Assistance with study
<b>Number on offer:</b>	One
<b>Offer rate:</b>	Annually
<b>Value:</b>	Up to \$10,000

## Description

This Scholarship was established in 2017 in memory of the late Denham Shale, a board member and friend of the OceanaGold Corporation (Oceana Gold) and a graduate of the University of Auckland Law School. It is funded by Oceana Gold.

The intention of the Scholarship is to encourage postgraduate study in the area of Commercial and Corporate Law 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 Scholarship will be known as the Denham Shale Memorial Scholarship.
2. The Scholarship will be awarded annually, for a period of up to one year and will be of the value of up to \$10,000. Payments and tenure will be pro-rated for part-time students.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident (see Note II), ii) enrolled or enrolling in a Master of Laws (LLM) at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland, including at least one course with a Commercial Law or Corporate Law focus. A grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 6.00 (5.50 for Māori and Pacific candidates is required for Scholarship consideration (see Note III).
4. The basis of selection will be academic merit (see Note III), and the applicant's study and career aspirations and potential as assessed by a personal statement.
5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Law (or nominee), and two academic staff members nominated by the Dean of the Faculty of Law.

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). Payment and tenure will be pro-rated for part-time students.
7. To be paid the Scholarship, the awardee must be enrolled in i) an LLM, and ii) at least one course with a Commercial Law or Corporate Law focus.
8. The Scholarship 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 Scholarship.
9. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the donor, has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress by a Scholar from the Associate Dean (Postgraduate) of the Faculty of Law.
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. 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, in consultation with the donor, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 30 July in the year of the award.
14. Notes [I]-[IV] below are deemed to be Regulations.

## Notes

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- 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. For the purposes of this Scholarship, academic merit is assessed as the GPA/GPE across all Law courses undertaken in a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) or LLB(Hons) or associated conjoint degree, or other undergraduate law degree; or the GPA/GPE obtained in a Postgraduate Certificate in Law.*
- IV. 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.*