Dilshika Weerasekera Memorial Award

Code: 1206
Faculty: Science
Applicable study: BSc or BAdvSci(Hons) in Chemistry
Closing date: By nomination
Tenure: One year
For: Assistance with study
Number on offer: One
Offer rate: Annually
Value: $500

Description

The Dilshika Weerasekera Memorial Award was established in 2015 by the Siphala Foundation.

The main purpose of the Award is to recognise and reward the Māori or Pacific student who demonstrates academic excellence in Stage I Chemistry courses and who has gone on to enrol in Stage II Chemistry courses in the following year.

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 (or nominee)

Regulations

1. The Award will be known as the Dilshika Weerasekera Memorial Award.
2. One Award will be made annually and will be of the value of $500.
3. To be eligible for Award consideration, a candidate must i) be a Māori student or Pacific student (see Note II), ii) be enrolled full-time in either a Bachelor of Science (BSc) or BSc conjoint degree, or a Bachelor of Advanced Science (Honours) (BAdvSci(Hons)) or an associated conjoint degree, iii) have completed CHEM 110 Chemistry of the Living World and 120 Chemistry of the Material World, and iv) have enrolled in Stage II Chemistry courses in the following year.
4. The basis of selection will be the academic achievement and commitment to the study of Chemistry, as evidenced by the overall performance in CHEM 110 and CHEM 120, 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. The Award will be paid in one instalment 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).

7. 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.
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 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.
10. 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.
11. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Award.
12. Notes [I]-[III] 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. Pacific students are defined as being of Indigenous Pacific descent from any of the following islands: Samoa, American Samoa, Tonga, Cook Islands, Niue, Tokelau, Fiji (iTaukei), Rotuma, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Kiribati, Tuvalu, Palau, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Wallis and Futuna, Hawaii, French Polynesia, Rapanui (Easter Island), Pitcairn Islands, Nauru, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands.

III. 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.