

# Dr Newton Wickham CBE Elective Award in Pacific Island Health

Code:	384
Faculty:	Medical and Health Sciences
Applicable study:	Part VI of an MBChB
Closing date:	25 September 2025
Tenure:	One Year
For:	Assistance in elective studies
Number on offer:	One
Offer rate:	Annually
Value:	\$1,800

## **Description**

The Award was established in 2001 and is financed by the Dr Newton Wickham CBE Elective Scholarship in Pacific Island Health Fund.

The main purpose of the Award is to assist final year medical students undertaking an elective that focuses on Pacific Island health.

#### Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- The Award is made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

### Regulations

- 1. The Award will be known as the Dr Newton Wickham CBE Elective Award in Pacific Island Health.
- 2. One Award will be made annually for a period of one year and will be of the value of \$1,800.
- 3. To be eligible for Award consideration, an applicant must be i) enrolled in Part VI of the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB), and ii) undertaking an elective in an area that focuses on Pacific Island health.
- 4. The Award is tenable by domestic and international students.
- 5. The basis of selection will be academic merit (see Note II), the relevance of the proposed elective to Pacific Island health and the likely contribution to medical progress that will result as assessed by a personal statement.
- 6. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences (or nominee), the Chair of the MBChB Electives Committee (or nominee) and one representative of the Medical Programme Directorate.
- 7. 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).

- 8. To be paid the Award, an awardee must be enrolled in Part VI of the MBChB.
- 9. 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.
- 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 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.
- 12. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations (in consultation with the Donor during their lifetime) provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Award.
- 13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 25 September in the year preceding the award.
- 14. 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. For the purposes of this Award academic merit is assessed as a Scholarships grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) obtained over the most recent two years of full-time (or equivalent) graded study, Part II and III of the MBChB.
- 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.