Dulcie Bowman Memorial Scholarship

**Description**

The Scholarship was established to commemorate Miss Dulcie Bowman who died in February 1996. In spite of suffering from a significant hearing disability Dulcie Bowman graduated from the University of Auckland and thereafter pursued a career in teaching. The Scholarship was established in 1996 by Dulcie Bowman’s sister, Miss Alva Bowman, who gifted a capital sum to fund the Award.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage hearing-impaired women students at either undergraduate or postgraduate levels. A bequest from Alva Bowman’s estate allowed the Scholarship to be increased in value in 2002, also making it possible to offer two scholarships a year instead of one.

**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 Dulcie Bowman Memorial Scholarship.
2. Up to two Scholarships will be awarded annually, for a period of up to one year, and will be of the value of up to $4,500 each. Payment will be pro-rated for part-time students.
3. The Scholarship may be awarded to a woman student at the University of Auckland who has enrolled, or is planning to enrol, part-time or full-time in the second or subsequent year of an undergraduate programme or any year of postgraduate study, and who has a hearing disability (the nature of which and the degree of hearing loss need to be confirmed in writing by a medical practitioner).
4. The Scholarship is tenable by domestic and international students.
5. Selection will be based on academic achievement, and a personal statement outlining how the Scholarship would...
benefit the student. A grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 5.00 (4.50 for Māori and Pacific candidates) is required for Scholarship consideration (see Note I).

6. The Scholarship shall be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Equity) (or nominee), the Chair of the Scholarships Committee (or nominee) and the Manager of Students with Disabilities (or nominee).

7. The Scholarship will be paid in two equal instalments, in the third week of Semester One and Semester Two.

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 recipient 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 is not obliged to make an award in any year if there are no candidates of sufficient merit.

10. The University of Auckland Council has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Head of School or Department in which the student is enrolled.

11. The University of Auckland Council has the power to amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 28 February in the year of the award.

13. Notes [I]-[IV] below are deemed to be Regulations.

Notes

I. For the purpose of this Scholarship, academic achievement for students enrolled in the second year of an undergraduate degree will be assessed as the grade point average (GPA) obtained over all courses completed by the time of application. Academic achievement for students enrolled in the third or subsequent year of an undergraduate degree will be assessed as a Scholarships GPA/GPE obtained over the applicant’s most recent two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent). Academic achievement for students enrolled in a postgraduate programme will be assessed as the GPA/GPE calculated over the most recent qualifying programme (see Note II).

II. The most recent qualifying programme is defined as the most recently completed programme of study that qualifies the applicant for entry to the postgraduate programme for which they are studying. Where the most recently completed programme is a conjoint programme, the GPA/GPE will be calculated over the entirety of the conjoint programme. The maximum approved exchange or transfer credit that can be excluded from the GPA/GPE calculation for the qualifying programme is 60 points. Where the most recently completed programme is a transitional certificate, the qualifying programme is the Transitional Certificate and the most recently completed prior degree.

III. Payments under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax-free as long as they are used for the payment of costs associated with an awardee’s programme of study and to assist the awardee with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.

IV. Recipients of a Dulcie Bowman Memorial Scholarship will be required to give undertakings that they will comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and will notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. The University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that a recipient of a Dulcie Bowman Memorial Scholarship is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.