Edna and Denis Moloney Scholarship

Description

The Scholarship was established in 2009 by a bequest from the late Denis Anthony Moloney and is funded by the Edna and Denis Moloney Charitable Trust, administered by the Public Trust.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support postgraduate research in the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences in a medical field, particularly in a field relating to cancer research.

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 Edna and Denis Moloney Scholarship.
2. Up to two Scholarships will be awarded annually for a period of one year, up to a total value of $20,000. Awardees may reapply in subsequent years.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must i) be a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident (see Note II), ii) be enrolled full-time in a sub-doctoral postgraduate research programme or doctoral research programme in the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland. Sub-doctoral applicants must be enrolling in both Semester One and Two in the year of the award to be eligible for consideration for the Scholarship. Sub-doctoral students enrolled in an extension are not eligible for consideration for this Scholarship. DHSc students must have completed no more than 24 months of full-time equivalent DHSc enrolment at the time of application to be considered for the Scholarship. MD and PhD students must have completed no more than 36 months of full-time equivalent MD or PhD enrolment at the time of application to be considered for the Scholarship.
4. The basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) obtained in the applicant’s most recent qualifying programme for sub-doctoral postgraduate or
doctoral study (see Notes III and IV), and the applicant’s potential to contribute to their field of research as assessed by a personal statement. The following criteria may also inform selection: the donor’s interest in supporting cancer research.

5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Associate Dean (Postgraduate Research) of the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences (or nominee) and two members of the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences Research Committee.

6. The Scholarship will be paid in one instalment on acceptance of the Scholarship.

7. To be paid the Scholarship, awardees must be enrolled full-time in a sub-doctoral postgraduate research programme or doctoral research programme in the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences.

8. The Scholarship may be concurrently held 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 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 Scholarship 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 Scholarship.

11. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the Trustees, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 4 July in the year of the award.

13. Notes [I]-[V] below are deemed to be regulations.

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Notes

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 sub-doctoral students, the most recent qualifying programme is defined as the most recently completed programme of study that qualifies the applicant for entry to the sub-doctoral research programme for which they are applying. Where the qualifying programme is a conjoint programme the GPA/GPE will be calculated over the relevant component 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 a bridging programme, including a Transitional Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Certificate of Proficiency, is required to qualify the applicant for entry to the postgraduate programme for which they are applying or are currently enrolled, the qualifying programme is the bridging programme and the most recently completed prior programme.

IV. For doctoral students, to be deemed a qualifying programme for the purposes of Scholarship consideration, an individual programme must satisfy Regulation 13a and b of the PhD statute or the equivalent admission regulations for the relevant named doctorate (DHSc or MD) respectively.

V. 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.