

Erica Pabst Scholarship for Equity and Justice

Code:	753
Faculty:	Law
Applicable study:	Part III or IV of LLB, or LLB(Hons) degree
Closing date:	26 March 2026
Tenure:	One year
For:	Assistance
Number on offer:	One or more
Offer rate:	Annually
Value:	Up to \$5,000 in total

Description

The Scholarship was established in 2011 and is funded by an Erskine alumna, Lynda Park. The Scholarship is to honour the memory of educator Sister Erica Pabst, an alumna of Baradene College of the Sacred Heart and the University of Auckland. Sister Pabst completed an LLB before entering the Society of the Sacred Heart in 1939.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support students who are alumnae of Baradene College of the Sacred Heart and Sacred Heart College in Auckland who are entering Part III or Part IV of a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) or Bachelor of Laws (Honours) degree at the University of Auckland.

Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- Short-listed candidates will be required to attend an interview
- 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 Erica Pabst Scholarship for Equity and Justice.
2. One or more Scholarships will be awarded annually, for a period of up to one year and will be of the value of up to \$5,000 in total.
3. To take up and be paid the Scholarship, candidates must be enrolled full-time and have paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for Part III or Part IV of a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) or Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (LLB(Hons)) at the University of Auckland.
4. The Scholarship is tenable by students who are alumnae of Baradene College of the Sacred Heart or Sacred Heart College, Auckland and who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.
5. The basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the Scholarships grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) obtained over the applicant's most recent two years of full-time study (or equivalent) on all Law courses undertaken as part of their LLB or LLB(Hons) programme, financial hardship, leadership potential,

contribution to the University and/or community services activities, potential to contribute in the area of Human Rights law, study and experience in the relevant area, excellent communication and interpersonal skills, and excellent verbal and written English language skills. Short-listed candidates will be required to attend an interview. A GPA/GPE of at least 5.00 is required for Scholarship consideration.

6. 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), the Principal of Baradene College (or nominee), the Chairperson of Baradene College Limited (or nominee), the Provincial of the Australia/New Zealand Province of the Society of the Sacred Heart (or nominee), and a representative of the Park family.
7. The Scholarship will be paid in two equal instalments: one in the first semester, and one in the second semester.
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, in consultation with the Donor, has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Dean of the Faculty of Law.
10. The University of Auckland is not obliged to make an award if in any year there is no candidate of sufficient merit.
11. The University of Auckland Council has the power to amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the Donor, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship
12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 26 March in the year of the award.
13. Notes [I]-[IV] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

- I. A presentation celebration of the Scholarship will be held on or about the third Wednesday of April each year.*
- II. As a condition of this Scholarship, the awardee is required to provide a report for the donor at the end of the year of tenure, indicating how the Scholarship has assisted them.*
- III. 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 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 an Erica Pabst Scholarship for Equity and Justice will be required to give undertakings that they will comply with the regulations for this 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 an Erica Pabst Scholarship for Equity and Justice is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received.*