Frances Barkley Scholarship

Code:	596
Faculty:	Science
Applicable study:	Māori or Pacific students enrolling in a BSc or BAdvSci(Hons) majoring in Biological Sciences, Biomedical Science, Ecology or Marine Science
Closing date:	10 October 2024
Tenure:	One year
For:	Tuition fees (see Reg. 7)
Number on offer:	One
Offer rate:	Annually
Value:	Up to $5,000

Description

The Scholarship was established in 2009 and is funded as the result of a gift by Bronwyn Paterson and George Smith to the Friends of the University of Auckland (Inc).

It is named after Frances Barkley, who in 1787, was the first European woman to visit British Columbia (with her husband Charles Barkley). She was quite an adventurer, and spent 8 years traveling the world, visiting and trading in remote and exotic places.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support undergraduate Māori and Pacific students to complete a Bachelor of Science degree or a Bachelor of Advanced Science (Honours) degree majoring in Biological Sciences, Biomedical Sciences, Ecology or Marine Science.

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 shall be known as the Frances Barkley Scholarship.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually, for a period of up to one year, and will be of the value of up to $5,000. Awardees must reapply for the Scholarship by the due date in subsequent years. Part-time students will be paid on a pro-rata basis.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a Māori or Pacific student (see Note II), ii) a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident (see Note III), and iii) enrolled, or intending to enrol, in a Bachelor of Science (BSc) majoring in Biological Sciences, Biomedical Sciences, or Marine Science, or a Bachelor of Advanced Science (Honours) specialising in Ecology or Marine Science in the Faculty of Science at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University

of Auckland. Students who enrol on a part-time basis or in a conjoint degree will also be considered. A grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of 4.00 is required for Scholarship consideration (see Note IV).

4. The basis of selection will be demonstrated academic achievement, and a personal statement outlining the applicant's motivation to succeed at university and financial need (see Notes IV and V).
5. 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 Science (or nominee), the Head of the School of Biological Sciences (or nominee), and one representative of the Donor (appointed by sponsors or trustees).
6. To be paid the Scholarship, awardees must be enrolled in a BSc in Biological Sciences, Biomedical Sciences or Marine Sciences or a BAdvSci(Hons) in Ecology or Marine Science, or associated conjoint degree.
7. The Scholarship will be paid as a compulsory fees credit in two equal instalments in Semester One and Two, 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). If the recipient's fees have already been covered by any fee-paying scheme, scholarship or award, the value of the Frances Barkley Scholarship may be paid out in two equal lump sum payments in the third week of Semester One and Semester Two to assist the recipient with living costs (see Note V). Part-time students will be paid on a pro-rata basis.
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, in consultation with the Donor, has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives an unsatisfactory report on the progress by a Scholar from the Head of the School of Biological Sciences.
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 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.
12. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the Donor, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 10 October in the year preceding the award.
14. Notes [I]-[IX] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

I. The tax-free status of this Scholarship is under current legislation. The University of Auckland cannot guarantee this tax-free outcome.

II. Pacific applicants are defined as Citizens or Permanent Residents of New Zealand who are 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. 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.

IV. For the purpose of this scholarship, academic achievement for students enrolling in their first year of tertiary study is based on results at level two or higher in the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) or an equivalent qualification. For students entering their second year of tertiary study, academic achievement is assessed as a Scholarships grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) obtained over the applicant's first year of full-time graded study. For students entering their third or subsequent year of tertiary study, academic

achievement is assessed as a Scholarships GPA or GPE obtained over the applicant's most recent two years of full-time graded study.

V. *Financial need will be determined by a range of factors including eligibility for a StudyLink Student Allowance, and personal and financial circumstances. Candidates need to demonstrate that they are experiencing financial hardship and that they are struggling to meet basic living costs. Incurred debt is not evidence of financial hardship.*

VI. *In making a recommendation for this scholarship the selection committee shall take into account other scholarships, bursaries and awards held by the applicants, with a view to achieving a fair distribution of monies.*

VII. *Tuition/Compulsory fees are those only related to the relevant programme of study, plus Student Services Fee and Building Levy.*

VIII. *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. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.*

IX. *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 from the date of the breach.*