

# Frederick Douglas Brown Postgraduate Science Research Scholarship

<b>Code:</b>	224
<b>Faculty:</b>	Science
<b>Applicable study:</b>	Postgraduate research in Chemistry or Physics
<b>Closing date:</b>	27 November 2025
<b>Tenure:</b>	One year
<b>For:</b>	Assistance with study
<b>Number on offer:</b>	Two
<b>Offer rate:</b>	Annually
<b>Value:</b>	Up to \$10,000 each

## Description

The Scholarship was established under the wills of Miss E W D Brown and Mrs G F Russell in honour of their father, Professor F D Brown, Foundation Professor of Chemistry and Experimental Physics at Auckland University College, 1883–1914.

## 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 Frederick Douglas Brown Postgraduate Science Research Scholarship.
2. Two Scholarships will be awarded annually, for a period of up to one year, and will be of the value of up to \$10,000 each. One Scholarship will be awarded to a postgraduate student enrolled in the School of Chemical Sciences, and one will be awarded to a postgraduate student enrolled in the Department of Physics. Awardees may reapply in subsequent years.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a citizen of a member country of The Commonwealth (see Note II), ii) aged 26 years or under at the time of application, iii) enrolled, or enrolling, full-time in the thesis year of a Master of Science or any year of a PhD in the Faculty of Science at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland, and iv) undertaking research in either Chemistry or Physics. Masters applicants must be enrolling in both Semester One and Two in the year of the award to be eligible for consideration for the Scholarship. Masters students who are enrolled in an extension are not eligible for consideration for this Scholarship. PhD students must have completed no more than 36 months of full-time equivalent PhD enrolment at the time of application for the Scholarship to be considered for the Scholarship. A grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 7.00 (6.50 for Māori candidates or Pacific candidates) is required for Scholarship

consideration.

4. The Scholarship is tenable by domestic students and international students who are citizens of member countries of The Commonwealth (see Note II).
5. The basis of selection will be academic merit assessed as a Scholarships GPA/GPE obtained over the applicant's most recent two years of full-time graded study, the quality of the applicant's proposal outlining the work to be undertaken and the potential for advancing science or its application by original research.
6. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Associate Dean (Masters and Postgraduate Taught) or the Associate Dean (Doctoral) of the Faculty of Science (or their respective nominee), the Head of the School of Chemical Sciences (or nominee) and the Head of the Department of Physics (or nominee).
7. For Master of Science students, the Scholarship will be paid in two 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).
8. For PhD students, the Scholarship will be paid in two instalments. The first instalment will be paid on acceptance of the Scholarship, and the second instalment will be made in July, after confirmation of the awardee's continued enrolment in the PhD programme.
9. To be paid the Scholarship, awardees must be enrolled full-time in the thesis year of a Master of Science or any year of a PhD in Chemistry or Physics.
10. 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 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.
11. The University of Auckland Council has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress by a Scholar from the Head of the School of Chemical Sciences or the Head of the Department of Physics.
12. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there are no candidates that meet the criteria and/or no candidates of sufficient merit.
13. Payment 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/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.
14. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations provided there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
15. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 27 November in the year preceding the award.
16. Notes [I]-[III] below are deemed to be Regulations.

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- I. *The tax-free status of this Scholarship is under current legislation. The University of Auckland cannot guarantee this tax-free outcome.*
- II. *Commonwealth countries are Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, The Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belize, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cameroon, Canada, Cyprus, Dominica, Fiji, Gabon, The Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guyana, India, Jamaica, Kenya, Kingdom of Eswatini, Kiribati, Lesotho, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Malta, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Nauru, New Zealand, Nigeria, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Rwanda, Saint Lucia, Samoa, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Solomon Islands, South Africa, Sri Lanka, St Kitts and Nevis, St Vincent and The Grenadines, Togo, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tuvalu, Uganda, United Kingdom, United Republic of Tanzania, Vanuatu, Zambia.*
- III. *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.*