

Kelliher Economics Foundation PhD Scholarship in Economics

Code:	710 (D)
Faculty:	Business & Economics
Applicable study:	PhD in Economics
Closing date:	1 May 2025
Tenure:	Up to three years
For:	Assistance
Number on offer:	Varies (depending on availability of funding)
Offer rate:	Annually
Value:	Up to \$15,000 pa

Description

The Scholarship was established in 2012 and is funded by the Kelliher Charitable Trust.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support the Trust's interest in promoting the economic well-being of New Zealanders.

Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- Short-listed applicants may 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 Kelliher Economics Foundation PhD Scholarship in Economics. Successful applicants will be known as "Kelliher Economics Foundation Scholars".
- 2. Scholarships may be available annually as funds permit, for a period of up to 36 months, and will comprise a fortnightly stipend of up to \$15,000 per annum (see Notes II and III).
- 3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident, and ii) enrolled, or enrolling full-time in a PhD in Economics.
- 4. The basis of selection will be academic merit and potential to undertake research on a topic that will be beneficial to the economic wellbeing of New Zealand as assessed by a personal statement and performance in an interview. Matters that may be considered in relation to academic merit include, but are not limited to, academic record, standing of awarding institution, academic references, CV and research and publication record. Short-listed candidates may be required to attend an interview.
- 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 Business and Economics (or nominee), the Head of the Department of Economics (or nominee) and one representative of the Kelliher Charitable Trust/Kelliher Economics Foundation.

- 6. The Scholarship will provide support for up to 36 months of study and payments (see Notes II and III) will commence from the doctoral enrolment date in the case of new students, and from the date recommended by the Selection Committee and approved by Scholarships Committee in the case of students who have already commenced their programme.
- 7. To be paid the Scholarship, awardees must be enrolled full-time in a PhD in Economics.
- 8. Subject to Regulation 6, the Scholarship shall be tenable until the date of either submission or 48 months of active enrolment from the doctoral enrolment date, whichever is the earlier.
- 9. 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.
- 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. 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 by a Scholar from the Head of the Department of Economics.
- 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 1 May in the year of the award.
- 14. Notes [I]-[VI] 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. In making a recommendation for the Scholarship the Selection Committee shall take into account other scholarships, bursaries and awards held by the candidates, with a view to achieving a fair distribution of monies among qualifying candidates. At the discretion of the Selection Committee, the Scholarship may cover compulsory fees, with the balance paid in one lump sum (see Note III).
- III. Compulsory fees are only those related to the relevant programme of study, plus Student Services Fee.
- *IV. Awardees may be asked to present their research findings to the Kelliher Charitable Trust/Kelliher Economics Foundation trustees and/or their nominees.*
- V. 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.
- VI. 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 from the date of the breach.