

# Kendrick Smithyman Scholarship in Poetry

<b>Code:</b>	603
<b>Faculty:</b>	Arts and Education
<b>Applicable study:</b>	Study of poetry in Stage III of a BA, or in a BA (Hons), PGDipArts or MA in English or a MCW
<b>Closing date:</b>	25 March 2025
<b>Tenure:</b>	One year
<b>For:</b>	Assistance
<b>Number on offer:</b>	One or more
<b>Offer rate:</b>	Annually
<b>Value:</b>	Up to \$7,000

## Description

The Kendrick Smithyman Scholarship in Poetry was established in 2009 through the generosity of the family of Kendrick Smithyman, to encourage the study and/or practice of poetry.

## 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 Kendrick Smithyman Scholarship in Poetry.
2. One or more Scholarships will be awarded annually and will be of the value of up to \$7,000 in total.
3. The Scholarship may be awarded to a full-time student in the Faculty of Arts and Education at the University of Auckland who has paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for full-time study in Stage III of a Bachelor of Arts, or a Bachelor of Arts (Honours), PG Diploma in Arts or a Masters of Arts degree or Masters of Creative Writing, which includes the study of poetry.
4. The basis of selection will be academic merit, a personal statement demonstrating the candidate's contribution to the study or practice of poetry, and up to two pages of poetry written by the candidate. Candidates should have a grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of 6.00 (5.50 for Māori and Pacific candidates) to be considered for the Scholarship (see Note II).
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 Arts and Education (or nominee), the Discipline Convenor of English and Drama (or nominee) and one member of academic staff from the disciplinary area of English and Drama who specialises in writing or in literature.
6. In the event there are two candidates of equal merit, the scholarship may be divided equally between them.
7. The Scholarship will be paid in two equal instalments, the first upon award and the second in the third week of

Semester Two.

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 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. 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 Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Education.
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 Discipline Convenor of English and Drama, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 25 March in the year of the award.
14. Note [I]-[III] below are deemed to be regulations.

## Notes

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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. For the purposes of this Scholarship, academic merit is assessed as the GPA/GPE obtained over the most recent two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent).*
- 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 award and require repayment of the funds from the date of the breach.*