

Martyn Finlay Memorial Scholarship

Code: 366 Faculty: Law

Applicable study:

Closing date:

Tenure:

LLB Part III

14 August 2025

One year

For: Assistance with study

Number on offer:
Offer rate:
Annually
Value:
Up to \$2,500

Description

In memory of the late Hon Dr Allan Martyn Finlay QC, Member of Parliament for the North Shore 1946–1949, Vice President of the New Zealand Labour Party from 1956–1958, President from 1958–1963, Member for Waitakere 1963–1978, Attorney General and Minister of Justice in the Labour Government of 1972–1975 and in 1973-1974 led the New Zealand case against the French nuclear testing at Muroroa. He was a long time member of the University of Auckland Council.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to enable academically able students who are demonstrably suffering financial hardship to continue their undergraduate Law studies in Part III at the University of Auckland.

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 Martyn Finlay Memorial Scholarship.
- 2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually for a period of one year and will be of the value of \$2,500.
- To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be enrolled full-time in Part III of a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) or LLB conjoint degree.
- 4. The Scholarship is tenable by domestic or international students.
- 5. The basis of selection will be academic achievement (see Note II), financial hardship and commitment to the community and/or faculty as assessed by the criteria at Note III and a personal statement.
- 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), and two members of Academic Staff nominated by the Dean.
- 7. The Scholarship will be paid in one instalment on acceptance of the Scholarship.

- 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. 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.
- 11. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations (in consultation with the Donor or nominee) provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
- 12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 14 August in the year of the award.
- 13. Notes [I]-[IV] 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. For the purposes of this Scholarship, academic achievement is assessed as the GPA/GPE obtained over the most recent two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent).
- III. Financial hardship will be determined by a range of factors including current or past eligibility for a StudyLink Student Allowance and personal and financial circumstances.
- IV. 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.