

Philip Deibert PhD Scholarship in Planning

Code: 972

Faculty: Engineering and Design

Applicable study: PhD in Planning Closing date: PhD in Planning

Tenure: Up to 42 months FTE **For:** Assistance with study

Number on offer: One

Offer rate: Once every three to four years

Value: Up to \$40,000 pa

Description

The Scholarship was established in 2018 and is funded by a bequest from Philip Robert Deibert, who began his career as an architectural draughting cadet at the Ministry of Works and Development (MWD) in 1960. He graduated from the University of Auckland with a Diploma in Architecture in 1966, registered as an architect in 1969, and continued to work as an MWD project architect. Like many architects of his generation, Deibert's interests and work extended to the realm of town planning, and included Wellington's Government Precinct.

The intention of the Scholarship is to encourage and support an academically excellent domestic, or international student who is paying domestic fees, to undertake doctoral study in Planning at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland.

Selection process

- Nomination is made to the Scholarships Office
- 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 Philip Deibert PhD Scholarship in Planning.
- 2. One Scholarship will be awarded every three years, for a period of up to 42 months full-time equivalent (FTE) and will comprise a stipend of up to \$40,000 per annum. Part-time students will be paid pro-rata for up to 72 months.
- 3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, a candidate must be applying for admission to a PhD in Planning at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland.
- 4. The Scholarship is tenable by full-time domestic and international students who are eligible to pay domestic fees. The Scholarship may also be available to domestic students enrolling part-time.
- 5. The basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the candidate's recent academic record, and the quality and nature of the research proposal. Matters that may be considered in relation to academic merit include, but are not limited to, standing of awarding institution, academic references, CV, research and publication record.
 Consideration may be given to research proposals that include at least some New Zealand subject matter.
- 6. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection

- Committee comprising the Associate Dean (Postgraduate Research) for the Faculty of Engineering and Design (or nominee), the Head of the School of Architecture and Planning (or nominee) and the School Director for the Urban Programme in the School of Architecture and Planning.
- Candidates who have been offered a Scholarship must meet all requirements for admission into their intended
 programme and all requirements of their Scholarship offer to take up the Scholarship. No payments will be made until
 all requirements have been met (see Notes II and III).
- 8. Scholarships must be taken up within six months of the award, otherwise the scholarship offer will be forfeited (see Notes II and III).
- Scholarship payments will commence on the initial date of enrolment in the doctoral programme, and will provide support for up to 42 months of full-time study (see Note IV). These durations shall be pro-rated for part-time scholarship awardees.
- 10. Holders of the Scholarship may apply to suspend their Scholarship for up to 12 months in total during the tenure of their award (see Notes V and VI).
- 11. The amount of additional and paid work a Scholar may undertake either inside or outside the University shall not exceed a total of 750 hours per 12-month period of Scholarship tenure (see Note VII).
- 12. Any additional tuition fee, stipend or top-up scholarship received from any other award or scholarship must be declared to the Scholarships Office upon receipt of the offer from the awarding body or receipt of the Philip Deibert PhD Scholarship in Planning, whichever is later (see Note VIII).
- 13. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with Scholarships Committee (or their delegate), will determine if additional tuition fee, living stipend or top-up scholarships may be co-tenured with the Philip Deibert PhD Scholarship in Planning (see Notes VIII to X).
- 14. 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 Associate Dean (Postgraduate Research) of the Faculty of Engineering and Design.
- 15. 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.
- 16. 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.
- 17. Notes [I] [VIV] 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. To take up the scholarship means to commence doctoral enrolment and the tenure of the scholarship.
- III. Doctoral enrolments and scholarship payments must commence on the first of the month.
- IV. Where a Philip Deibert PhD Scholarship in Planning is held at the time of conclusion of doctoral enrolment or withdrawal from the doctoral programme or termination of the awardee's doctoral candidature, tenure of the Scholarship will terminate, effective on the date determined by Scholarships Committee in consultation with the Pro Vice-Chancellor Global and Graduate Research as warranted.
- V. An additional 12-month parental-leave suspension may be considered where the holder becomes a parent during their tenure of the Scholarship,
- VI. In exceptional circumstances, a suspension of this Scholarship beyond the suspension periods stated in Regulation 10 and Note VII may be approved. Applications must be made in writing to the Scholarships Office.
- VII. Candidates who hold a scholarship on a part-time basis are subject to the same employment restrictions as full-time scholarship holders (i.e. 750 hours per 12-month period).
- VIII. A Philip Deibert PhD Scholarship in Planning may not be held concurrently with any doctoral scholarship funded by Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland (including scholarships funded by faculties, LSRIs or URCs) or any

- postgraduate scholarship or grant awarded by the Universities New Zealand Scholarships Committee, or by a foreign government or agency. As per Note X, awardees must notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their funding status.
- IX. Where the University of Auckland Council approves co-tenure, the combined stipend may not exceed 150% of the Philip Deibert PhD Scholarship in Planning. For the avoidance of doubt, support that is not for the purposes of living costs is excluded from this calculation. For example, a grant to cover research costs or professional development would not have an impact on the Philip Deibert PhD Scholarship in Planning.
- X. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and must notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment, employment or funding status. Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland may, in the event 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.
- XI. Where a backdated application to suspend a Scholarship has been approved, the student will be offered three options to repay any overpaid stipend payments: i) repay the total overpayment and normal stipend payments resume on the restart of both enrolment and the Scholarship, or ii) stipend payments do not resume on the restart of enrolment, and are stopped until such time as the equivalent value of the overpayments would have been paid, or iii) stipend payments are reduced until the equivalent value of the overpayments has been recovered.
- XII. If an awardee is overpaid an amount in excess of a full fortnightly disbursement, the University may recover the overpayment by withholding future award payments at the same rate that the award was overpaid or, if the awardee is no longer enrolled, the University may recover the payment in line with standard debt collection practices.
- XIII. If an awardee is overpaid an amount in excess of a full fortnightly disbursement after they are no longer eligible for the Scholarship, the University may recover the overpayment in line with standard debt collection practices.