

Professor John Asher Scholarship in German

Code:	580
Faculty:	Arts and Education
Applicable study:	Undergraduate or postgraduate study in German
Closing date:	15 May 2025
Tenure:	One year
For:	Assistance with study
Number on offer:	One
Offer rate:	Annually
Value:	Up to \$4,500

Description

The Professor John Asher Scholarship in German was established in 2009 to encourage study in German. The Scholarship has been made possible through the generosity of Mrs Monica Asher and the family of Professor John Asher.

Professor John Asher was a graduate and a member of the staff of Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland. As founding Professor of German and Head of Department from 1958 to 1986 he developed the longstanding relationships the University holds with German academic institutions, the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), and the German community in New Zealand.

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 Professor John Asher Scholarship in German.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually for a period of up to one year and will be of the value of up to \$4,500. Awardees may reapply in subsequent years. Payments to part-time students will be pro-rated.
3. To be eligible for consideration, an applicant must be i) enrolled or enrolling full-time or part-time in Stage II or III of a Bachelor of Arts (BA) or Bachelor of Arts conjoint degree, a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) (BA(Hons)), a Postgraduate Diploma in Arts (PGDipArts), a Master of Arts (MA), or a PhD in German in the School of Cultures, Languages and Linguistics in the Faculty of Arts and Education at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland. A grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 6.00 or above (5.50 for Māori or Pacific applicants) is required for Scholarship consideration (see Notes II to IV).
4. The Scholarship is tenable by domestic and international students.
5. The basis of selection will be academic merit and the quality of a personal statement (see Notes II to IV).

6. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Head of the School of Cultures, Languages and Linguistics (or nominee), the Major/Specialisation Leader for European Studies (or nominee) and one member of Academic Staff nominated by the Head of School.
7. The Scholarship will be paid in one instalment in Semester One, 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). Payment to part-time students will be pro-rated.
8. To be paid the Scholarship, awardees must be enrolled in either Stage II or III of a BA or BA conjoint degree, a BA(Hons), a PGDipArts, an MA or a PhD in German.
9. The Scholarship may be held with any other scholarship, award or grant where the regulations for that scholarship, award or grant permit and where 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. 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 Head of the School of Cultures, Languages and Linguistics provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 15 May in the year of the award.
14. Notes [I]-[V] 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. *For the purposes of this Scholarship, academic merit for applicants enrolled in the second year of a BA or BA conjoint programme will be assessed as a Scholarships grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) obtained over the applicant's first year of full-time graded study. Academic merit for students entering their third or subsequent year of a BA or BA conjoint programme will be assessed as a Scholarships GPA or GPE obtained over the applicant's most recent two years of full-time graded study. Academic merit for students enrolled in a postgraduate programme will be assessed by the GPA or GPE obtained over the qualifying programme (see Notes III and IV).*
- III. *For the purposes of bachelors (honours), postgraduate diploma and masters study, the most recent qualifying programme is defined as the most recently completed programme of study that qualifies the applicant for entry to the postgraduate programme for which they are applying. Where the most recently completed programme is a conjoint programme the GPA/GPE will be calculated over the relevant component of the conjoint programme. The maximum approved exchange or transfer credit that can be excluded from the GPA/GPE calculation for the qualifying programme is 60 points. Where a bridging programme, including a Transitional Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Certificate of Proficiency, is required to qualify the applicant for entry to the postgraduate programme for which they are applying or are currently enrolled, the qualifying programme is the bridging programme and the most recently completed prior programme.*
- IV. *For the purposes of PhD study, where the qualifying programme is an undergraduate honours degree (or equivalent undergraduate degree or integrated undergraduate and postgraduate degree) the GPA/GPE will be calculated over the final two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent) in the programme. In all other cases, the GPA/GPE will be calculated over the entirety of the programme.*
- V. *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 from the date of the breach.