

Stanley Wishart Low Memorial Scholarship in Marine Science

Code:	479
Faculty:	Science
Applicable study:	PhD (specialising in the area of Marine Science)
Closing date:	11 August 2025
Tenure:	Up to three years
For:	Assistance with study
Number on offer:	One
Offer rate:	Once every three years
Value:	\$7,000 pa

Description

The Scholarship was established by a bequest from Dorothy Low for the purposes of assisting students undertaking research in the area of Marine Science. The bequest commemorates Dorothy Low's late husband, Stanley Wishart Low.

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 Stanley Wishart Low Memorial Scholarship in Marine Science.
- One Scholarship will be awarded once ever three years for a period of up to three years and will be of the value of \$7,000 per annum.
- 3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be enrolled, or enrolling, full-time in a PhD specialising in the area of Marine Science at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland.
- 4. The Scholarship is tenable by domestic or international students.
- 5. The basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) calculated over the qualifying programme for entry to the PhD (see Note II), and the quality and relevance of the proposed research to the academic mission of Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland's Institute of Marine Science. 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.
- 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 Science (or nominee), the Head of the School of Biological Sciences (or nominee) and the Head of the Institute of Marine Science (or nominee).
- 7. The Scholarship will be paid in one annual instalment. The first instalment will be paid on acceptance of the

Scholarship offer and satisfaction of Regulation 8. The second and third instalments will be paid 12 months and 24 months respectively from the initial payment date on continued satisfaction of Regulation 8.

- 8. To be paid the Scholarship, the awardee must be enrolled full-time in a PhD in Marine Science at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland. To receive the second and third instalments, the awardee must have maintained satisfactory performance as determined by the supervisory committee.
- 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 has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship, if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress by the Scholar from the relevant Head of School/Department.
- 11. 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.
- 12. 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.
- 13. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
- 14. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 11 August in the year of the award.
- 15. Notes [I]-[III] 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 be deemed a qualifying programme for the purposes of scholarship consideration, an individual programme must satisfy Regulation 13a and b of the PhD Statute. Where the qualifying programme is an undergraduate honours degree (or equivalent undergraduate degree or integrated undergraduate and postgraduate degree), the GPA or GPE will be calculated over the final two years of full-time study (or equivalent) in the programme. In all other cases, the GPA or GPE will be calculated over the entirety of the qualifying programme. Where a qualifying programme is entirely pass/fail, the University may generate a GPA/E only where the programme consists entirely of a thesis.
- III. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and must notify the Scholarships Office of any changes 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.