

Taurus Charitable Trust Entry-Level Scholarship in Music

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| Code: | 807 |
| Faculty: | Arts and Education |
| Applicable study: | First year of a BMus or BMus conjoint degree |
| Closing date: | 9 October 2025 |
| Tenure: | One Year |
| For: | Assistance with study |
| Number on offer: | Up to Two |
| Offer rate: | Annually |
| Value: | Up to \$4,000 each |

Description

The Scholarship was established in 2015 and is funded by the Taurus Charitable Trust.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to assist school leavers who have the potential to succeed in the School of Music and for whom the financial contribution would make a significant contribution to their financial needs.

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 shall be known as the Taurus Charitable Trust Entry-Level Scholarship in Music.
2. Up to two Scholarships will be awarded annually for a period of one year and will be of the value of up to \$4,000 each.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident (see Note II), ii) currently enrolled in Year 13 at a New Zealand secondary school or kura, and iii) intending to enrol full-time in a Bachelor of Music (BMus) or BMus conjoint degree at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland in the following year.
4. The basis of selection will be academic merit based on results at Level 2 or higher in the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) or an equivalent qualification, the applicant's potential to succeed in the field of Music and demonstrated financial need as assessed by a personal statement and the criteria at Note III.
5. 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 Music (or nominee) and two members of Academic staff nominated by the Head of the School of Music.
6. 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).

7. To be paid the Scholarship, awardees must i) gain admission to the University of Auckland with an NCEA rank score of at least 240, a CIE rank score of 300 or an IB score of at least 32, and ii) be enrolled full-time in a BMus or BMus conjoint degree at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland. Conjoint students must be enrolled in at least 60 points of BMus courses to be paid 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, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 9 October in the year preceding the award.
13. Notes [I]-[VI] 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. New Zealand Permanent Residents have been granted a Permanent Resident Visa by Immigration New Zealand. For more information visit <https://www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand-visas/already-have-a-visa/becoming-a-permanent-resident>.*
- III. Financial need will be determined by a range of factors including current eligibility for a StudyLink Student Allowance, and personal and financial circumstances.*
- IV. Except in cases where there are compelling medical reasons or adverse personal circumstances beyond a student's control, the uptake of scholarships cannot be deferred. Students who are offered a Taurus Charitable Trust Entry-Level Scholarship in Music but who do not take it up in the year of offer may request that their application be reconsidered in the intake of applications for the year immediately following. Deferral requests must be made in writing to the Scholarships Office.*
- V. If a student enrolls at another tertiary institution in New Zealand or overseas, the scholarship will be forfeited.*
- VI. 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.*