

University of Auckland Languages and Cultures Study Abroad Award

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| Code: | 57 |
| Faculty: | Arts and Education |
| Applicable study: | BA, BC, BA(Hons), BGlobalSt, DipLang, PGDipArts or MA students |
| Closing date: | 15 May 2025 and 11 September 2025 |
| Tenure: | Up to one year |
| For: | Assistance with overseas study |
| Number on offer: | Varies |
| Offer rate: | Twice a year |
| Value: | Up to \$2,000 each |

Description

The Award was established in 1996 and is funded by the Faculty of Arts and Education.

The main purpose of the Award is to enable students of Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Russian and Spanish to undertake a period of formal study or internship for credit (minimum of four weeks) in a country where the language they are studying is spoken as the first language, thereby providing an opportunity for cultural immersion and first-hand experience of the language, and to provide additional encouragement to pursue study at postgraduate level in languages and literatures.

Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- The Selection Committee makes use of ranked nominations from the heads of each language section
- The Award is made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

Regulations

1. The Award will be known as the University of Auckland Languages and Cultures Study Abroad Award.
2. Awards will be made twice a year and will be of the value of up to \$2,000 each. Subject to the availability of funds, the value may be supplemented upon the recommendation of the Head of School concerned.
3. To be eligible for Award consideration, applicants must be i) enrolled in either a Bachelor of Arts (BA), or associated conjoint degree, majoring in a foreign language, Asian Studies or European Studies, a Bachelor of Communications (BC), or associated conjoint degree, including a Modern Language module, a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) (BA(Hons)) degree or Postgraduate Diploma in Arts (PGDipArts) majoring in a foreign language or Asian Studies, a Master of Arts (MA) majoring in a foreign language, Asian Studies or Translation Studies, a Diploma in Languages (DipLang), or a Bachelor of Global Studies (BGlobalSt) or associated conjoint degree, and ii) intending to undertake a period of

formal study or internship for credit (minimum of four weeks) in a country where the language they are studying is spoken as the first language. Native speakers of the language are not eligible to apply.

4. The Award is tenable by domestic or international students.
5. Awardees are eligible to reapply if the student is studying a second language and the subsequent period of formal study in a country where the language they are studying is spoken as the first language is to be in a country where the first language is different to the one for which the previous Award applied.
6. The basis of selection will be academic merit (see Note II), and the quality and relevance of a study abroad proposal submitted with the application. All such proposals and arrangements for credit must have the prior approval of the Major/Specialisation Leader of the major/specialisation area from which applications are received and are subject to final approval by the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Education. Consideration may be given to third year BA students planning to enrol in a BA(Hons) or MA in the following year.
7. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Deputy Head (Academic) of the School of Cultures, Languages and Linguistics (or nominee) and the Deputy Head (Academic) of the School of Humanities (or nominee). The Selection Committee will first have sought ranked nominations from the Major/Specialisation Leader of each major/specialisation area from which applications are received.
8. The Award will be paid in one instalment.
9. To be paid the Award, the awardee must i) provide confirmation of their enrolment in a formal programme of study or internship for credit in a country where the language is spoken as the first language, and ii) have registered their travel plans with 360 International in accordance with the Overseas student activity travel registration process (see Note III). Conjoint degree students must be enrolled in the equivalent of at least 30 points of relevant courses during the academic year to be paid the Award.
10. The Award may not be held concurrently with a Prime Minister's Scholarship for Asia or a Prime Minister's Scholarship for Latin America, however, it may be held 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 Award.
11. Following the study abroad, Scholars must produce proof from the host institution of completion of study to a satisfactory standard and submit a written report to the relevant Head of School at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland.
12. 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.
13. Payments under the terms of this Award 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 Award.
14. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Award.
15. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 15 May in the year of the award and 11 September in the year preceding the award.
16. Notes [I]-[IV] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

- I. *The tax-free status of this Award is under current legislation. The University of Auckland cannot guarantee this tax-free outcome.*
- II. *For the purpose of this Award, academic merit is defined as a Scholarships grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) obtained over the applicant's most recent two years of full-time graded study or equivalent. Where a student has not yet completed two years of full-time study (or equivalent) the GPA/GPE will be obtained over all semesters of study completed at the time of application for the Award.*

- III. Awardees must register their travel plans with 360 International (refer <https://www.auckland.ac.nz/en/study/study-options/360-international/university-student-activity-travel.html>).*
- IV. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Award 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 Award and require repayment of the funds received.*