

# University of Auckland Scholarship in General Practice

Code:	470
Faculty:	Medical and Health Sciences
Applicable study:	MD, PhD, Masters or Honours Postgraduate Research in General Practice and Primary Health Care
Closing date:	30 October 2025
Tenure:	One year
For:	Assistance with study
Number on offer:	Up to two
Offer rate:	Annually
Value:	Up to \$10,000 in total

# Description

The Scholarship was established in 2005 and is funded by the residual funds of the University of Auckland Primary Health Care Trust.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to assist students undertaking postgraduate study in general practice and primary health care, in particular for those who are undertaking research of benefit to the South Auckland area.

#### **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 University of Auckland Scholarship in General Practice.
- 2. Up to two Scholarships will be awarded for a period of one year up to a total value of \$10,000.
- 3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident, and ii) enrolled in postgraduate research in the Department of General Practice and Primary Health Care in the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland in the following year. A grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of 7.00 (6.50 for Māori or Pacific candidates) is required for Scholarship consideration (see Note II).
- 4. The basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the GPA/GPE calculated over the most recent qualifying programme (see Note II) and the quality of the research proposal or project. The following criteria may also inform selection: students undertaking research of benefit to the South Auckland area.
- 5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences (or nominee), the Head of the Department of General Practice and Primary Health Care (or nominee) and one other academic staff member of the

Department, appointed by the Head of Department.

- 6. The Scholarship will be paid in two equal instalments in Semester One and Two, 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 be enrolled in a postgraduate research programme in the Department of General Practice and Primary Health Care in the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences.
- 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 has the power to terminate or suspend the Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress by a Scholar from the Dean of the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences.
- 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 provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
- 13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 30 October preceding the year of the award.
- 14. Notes [I]-[III] 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. Except in the case of the BMedSci(Hons), 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 in which they are applying or currently enrolled. In the case of the BMedSci(Hons), the qualifying programme is always the first three years of full-time equivalent study in the MBChB or equivalent degree. 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.
- III. 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.