Gwynn Duncan Medical Scholarship

**Code:** 715  
**Faculty:** Medical and Health Sciences  
**Applicable study:** Parts II, III, IV and V of an MBChB  
**Closing date:** 11 June 2024  
**Tenure:** One year  
**For:** Assistance with study  
**Number on offer:** One  
**Offer rate:** Annually  
**Value:** Up to $4,500

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2012 and is funded by a bequest from the estate of Gwynn Eleanor Duncan.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support MBChB students who are experiencing financial need.

**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 Gwynn Duncan Medical Scholarship.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually for a period of one year and will be of the value of $4,500. Awardees may reapply in subsequent years.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident (see Note II), and ii) enrolled full-time in Part II, III, IV or V of a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB) programme. A grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 5.00 is required for Scholarship consideration (see Note III).
4. The basis of selection will be academic merit (see Note III) and financial need as assessed by a personal statement and the criteria at Note IV.
5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Head of the Medical Programme, the Director of Medical Student Affairs, and the Group Services Manager (Medical Programme Directorate) (or their nominees).
6. The Scholarship will be paid in one instalment in Semester 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 Part II, III, IV or V of an MBChB.
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 11 June in the year of the award.

13. 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. 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. For students enrolled in Part II, academic merit is 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 (or equivalent if part-time). For students enrolled in Part III, academic merit is defined as a Scholarships GPA or GPE obtained over the applicant’s most recent two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent). For students enrolled in Parts IV or V, academic merit is assessed by the GPA obtained over Part II and Part III of the MBChB.

IV. Financial need will be demonstrated by a range of factors including current or previous eligibility for a StudyLink Student Allowance, and personal financial circumstances.

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.