He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean's Doctoral Scholarship

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2015 and is funded by the Office of the Dean of He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School.

The intention of the Scholarship is to encourage and support academically excellent students to undertake their first full or part-time doctoral study on a pre-determined topic that falls within one or more of the four Strategic Research Themes of the University of Auckland Business School (UABS): productivity and sustainability, innovation and value creation, leadership and governance and internationalisation.

**Selection process**

- Nomination is made to the Scholarships Office.
- 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 He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship.
2. Up to five Scholarships will be awarded annually for a period of up to 36 months, and will comprise a stipend of up to $33,825 per annum in 2024, with an annual CPI adjustment to the stipend value for awardees enrolled in a PhD in the University of Auckland Business School. In addition, the Student Services Fee and compulsory tuition fees for prescribed study in the PhD will be covered for up to 36 months FTE for domestic and international awardees who are eligible to study under the domestic fees policy (see Note II). The single student Health Insurance compulsory charge (as detailed on the tuition fees invoice) is also covered for the duration of the Scholarship for international students. Part-time students will be paid pro-rata for up to 72 months (see Note IV).
3. Students will be considered for the award of He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School
Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship at the time of application for admission to their first doctorate, a PhD degree in the University of Auckland Business School.

4. In order to be considered for the award of a He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship, i) Regulations 5 and 6 and the domestic fees eligibility requirement of Regulation 9 must be satisfied, ii) the Board of Graduate Studies (or delegate) must have determined that the candidate may be admitted to a PhD at the University of Auckland Business School, iii) the applicant must not previously have held a University of Auckland Doctoral Scholarship or any other doctoral scholarship funded by the University of Auckland (including faculties, LRSIs or URCs), and iv) the candidate must be undertaking research that falls within one or more of the four Strategic Research Themes: productivity and sustainability, innovation and value creation, leadership and governance or internationalisation. Where a qualifying programme with a grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) is the basis for entry to the PhD, a candidate must have a GPA/GPE of at least 8.00 (7.50 for Māori candidates or Pacific candidates) to be eligible for consideration. Where a qualifying programme is entirely pass/fail, the University may generate a GPA only where the programme consists entirely of a thesis (see Note III).

5. Subject to Regulations 7 and 8, applicants can only be considered for the award of a He Manga Tauhokohoko University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship prior to receiving their offer of place in the doctoral programme.

6. Applicants who already have a doctorate are not eligible for consideration for a He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship.

7. Applicants who transfer from a Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland research masters to a PhD degree will be considered for this Scholarship during the next available application round (see Note V).

8. Applicants who transfer from another doctorate and who do not already hold, and have not previously held, a University of Auckland Doctoral Scholarship or any other doctoral scholarship funded by the University of Auckland (including faculties, LRSIs or URCs) will be considered for this Scholarship during the next available application round (see Note VIII).

9. The Scholarship is tenable by domestic and international students who are eligible to pay domestic fees (see Note II) and who meet all the requirements of these regulations.

10. The Scholarship may be awarded for full-time enrolment in the PhD. The Scholarship may also be awarded to domestic applicants for whom compassionate and compelling circumstances make part-time enrolment preferable (see Note IV).

11. The basis of selection will be academic merit, the quality and nature of the research proposal, and the faculty’s strategic objectives and associated selection criteria as specified on their public website. 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.

12. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Business School (or nominee), the Associate Dean (Postgraduate Research) (or nominee) and the Associate Dean (Research) (or nominee).

13. Applicants who have been offered a Scholarship must meet all requirements for admission into their intended programme and all requirements of their Scholarship offer to take up the Scholarship. No payments will be made until all requirements have been met (see Note VI).

14. Scholarships must be taken up by one of the dates prescribed in the letter of award, otherwise the Scholarship offer will be forfeited (see Note VI).

15. Scholarship payments will commence on the initial date of enrolment in the doctoral programme and will provide support for up to 36 months of full-time study (see Note VIII). A further six months of scholarship funding, subject to Scholarships Committee approval, may be available. These durations shall be pro-rated for part-time scholarship awardees (see Note IV).

16. Holders of the Scholarship may apply to suspend their Scholarship for up to 12 months in total during the tenure of their award (see Notes IX and X).

17. An awardee retains their Scholarship if they receive approval from the Board of Graduate Studies (or delegate) to change supervisors, topic (subject to Regulation 4), or academic unit. Such changes have no impact on the period of
tenure of the Scholarship.

18. The amount of additional and paid work a Scholar may undertake either inside or outside the University shall not exceed a total of 750 hours per 12-month period of scholarship tenure (see Note IV).

19. Any additional tuition fee, stipend or top-up scholarship received from any other award or scholarship must be declared to the Scholarships Office upon receipt of the offer from the awarding body or receipt of the He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship, whichever is later (see Note XIII).

20. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the Selection Committee, will determine if additional tuition fee, living stipend or top-up scholarships may be co-tenured with a He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship (see Notes XI to XIII).

21. If a Scholarship holder is required to undertake an internship as part of their doctoral programme, or chooses to participate in an approved Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland internship while remaining enrolled in the doctoral programme, and receives an income from that internship that is equal to or in excess of the stipend of the He Manga Tauhokohoko University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship, the Scholarship will reduce to fees-only for the period of scholarship tenure that coincides with the internship.

22. If a Scholarship holder is required to undertake an internship as part of their doctoral programme or chooses to participate in an approved Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland internship or industry placement while remaining enrolled in the doctoral programme, and no income is received from that activity, the He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship stipend may continue to be provided for the duration of the activity. If the income received is less than the stipend value of the He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship for the period of the internship, the Selection Committee may agree to pay a partial stipend to bring the total net income to the current He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship stipend value for the period.

23. A Scholarship may be withdrawn at any stage of offer or tenure if incorrect, false, or misleading information is provided by the applicant to the University as part of the programme and scholarship application to the University, or relevant information is withheld. This includes circumstances where the information is unrelated to the assessment in offering the Scholarship.

24. 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.

25. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the Dean of the Business School, has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress by a Scholar from the Director of the Business School programme, a Head of Department or Thesis Supervisor.

26. 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.

27. Appeals are not permitted against any decision or recommendation, or advice issued by the University of Auckland Council or by a duly constituted Selection Committee or by the Associate Dean (Postgraduate Research) (or nominee) regarding the award or tenure of a He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School GTA Doctoral Fees Bursary. The Selection Committee have discretion in the judgement of the merits of candidates against strategic objectives and associated selection criteria.

28. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the Dean of the Business School, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

29. Notes [I]-[XVI] 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 able to pay domestic PhD fees, awardees who are permanent residents of New Zealand or Australia,
Australian citizens or citizens of countries other than New Zealand, may only be resident outside of New Zealand for a maximum total of twelve months over the period of their enrolment in their doctoral degree and only for the purposes of conducting research.

III. 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 grade point average or equivalent will be calculated over the final two years of full-time study (or equivalent) in the programme. In all other cases, the grade point average or equivalent will be calculated over the entirety of the qualifying programme.

IV. Awardees are normally required to be enrolled on a full-time basis. Full-time is defined as 40 hours of doctoral work per week for 47 weeks a year. However, domestic students for whom compassionate and compelling circumstances make part-time enrolment preferable may apply to the Selection Committee, through the Scholarships Office, to hold a scholarship on a part-time basis, pro-rated. Compassionate and compelling circumstances mean circumstances that are generally beyond the candidate’s control and have an impact on their ability to study full-time. For example: serious illness or injury, pregnancy or childbirth, care responsibilities for whānau, and traumatic experiences. Part-time is defined as 20 hours per week of doctoral work. Candidates will not be granted permission to hold a He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship on a part-time basis if they are undertaking full-time paid employment or substantial part-time employment. Candidates who hold a scholarship on a part-time basis are subject to the same employment restrictions as full-time scholarship holders (i.e. 750 hours per 12-month period) and are required to change to full-time enrolment if a change in their circumstances means they no longer qualify to hold the Scholarship on a part-time basis.

V. Where a master’s thesis student is approved to transfer to a PhD and is subsequently awarded a He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship, the tenure of the Scholarship will conclude up to 36 months FTE after the start date of the research component of their master’s degree, with a possible extension of up to six further months (See Note VIII). Master’s transfer candidates do not receive backdated stipend or tuition fees for the period of their master’s enrolment that is transferred to a PhD enrolment.

VI. To take up the Scholarship means to commence doctoral enrolment and the tenure of the scholarship.

VII. Where exceptional circumstances exist, students may apply to the Scholarships Office to request an extension of take-up time for the Scholarship. Applications will be considered and determined on a case-by-case basis in consultation with the Dean of Graduate Studies as warranted. PhD enrolments and scholarship payments must commence on the first of the month.

VIII. Where a He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship is held at the time of conclusion of PhD enrolment or withdrawal from the PhD programme or termination of the awardee’s doctoral candidature, tenure of the Scholarship will terminate, effective on the date determined by the Selection Committee in consultation with the Dean of Graduate Studies as warranted.

IX. An additional 12-month parental-leave suspension may be considered where the holder becomes a parent during their tenure of the Scholarship.

X. In exceptional circumstances Selection Committee may approve a suspension of this Scholarship beyond the suspension periods stated in Regulation 16 and Note IX. Applications must be made in writing to Scholarships Office.

XI. A He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship may not be co-tenured with a University of Auckland Doctoral Scholarship, or any other scholarship funded by Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland (including faculties, LSRIs and URCs) or with any postgraduate scholarship or grant awarded by the Universities New Zealand Scholarships Committee, or by a foreign government or agency. As per Note XIV, awardees must notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their funding status.

XII. Where the University of Auckland Council approves co-tenure, the combined stipend may not exceed 150% of the He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship stipend. For the avoidance of doubt, a grant to cover research costs or professional development would not have any impact on the He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship stipend.
XIII. The He Manga Tauhokohoko | University of Auckland Business School Dean’s Doctoral Scholarship stipend may be reduced in order to meet the requirements of Note XII.

XIV. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and must notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment, employment or funding status. The University of Auckland Waipapa Taumata Rau may, in the event 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.

XV. If an awardee is overpaid an amount in excess of a full fortnightly disbursement, the University may recover the overpayment by withholding future award payments at the same rate that the award was overpaid or, if the awardee is no longer enrolled, the University may recover the overpayment in line with standard debt collection practices.

XVI. If an awardee is overpaid an amount in excess of a full fortnightly disbursement after they are no longer eligible for the Scholarship, the University may recover the overpayment in line with standard debt collection practices.