Kendrick Smithyman Scholarship in Poetry

Code:	603
Faculty:	Arts
Applicable study:	Study of poetry in Stage III of a BA, or in a BA (Hons), PGDipArts or MA in English or a MCW
Closing date:	11 April 2024
Tenure:	One year
For:	Assistance
Number on offer:	One or more
Offer rate:	Annually
Value:	Up to $7,000

Description

The Kendrick Smithyman Scholarship in Poetry was established in 2009 through the generosity of the family of Kendrick Smithyman, to encourage the study and/or practice of poetry.

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 Kendrick Smithyman Scholarship in Poetry.
2. One or more Scholarships will be awarded annually and will be of the value of up to $7,000 in total.
3. The Scholarship may be awarded to a full-time student in the Faculty of Arts at the University of Auckland who has paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for full-time study in Stage III of a Bachelor of Arts, or a Bachelor of Arts (Honours), PG Diploma in Arts or a Masters of Arts degree or Masters of Creative Writing, which includes the study of poetry.
4. The basis of selection will be academic merit, a personal statement demonstrating the candidate's contribution to the study or practice of poetry, and up to two pages of poetry written by the candidate. Candidates should have a grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of 6.00 (5.50 for Māori and Pacific candidates) to be considered for the Scholarship (see Notes I to II).
5. The Scholarship will be awarded upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Arts (or nominee), the Discipline Convenor of English and Drama (or nominee) and one member of academic staff from the disciplinary area of English and Drama who specialises in writing or in literature.
6. In the event there are two candidates of equal merit, the scholarship may be divided equally between them.
7. The Scholarship will be paid in two equal instalments, the first upon award and the second in the third week of Semester Two.

8. The Scholarship may be held concurrently with any other scholarship, award or grant as long as a) the terms of that scholarship, award or grant permit and b) the University of Auckland is informed and approves.
9. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if in any year there is no candidate of sufficient merit.
10. The University of Auckland has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Dean of the Faculty of Arts.
11. The University of Auckland Council has power to amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the Discipline Convenor of English and Drama, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 11 April in the year of the award.
13. Note [I]-[III] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

I. For the purposes of this Scholarship, academic merit is assessed as the GPA/GPE obtained over the most recent two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent).

II. Payment under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax-free as long as they are used directly for the payment of costs associated with an awardee's programme of study. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.

III. Recipients of a Kendrick Smithyman Scholarship in Poetry will be required to give undertakings that they will comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and will notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. The University of Auckland Council may, in the event that it can be established that a recipient of a Kendrick Smithyman Scholarship in Poetry is not complying with these Regulations, terminate the award and require repayment of the funds from the date of the breach.