

# **Robyn Dixon Nursing Award**

Code:	968
Faculty:	Medical and Health Sciences
Applicable study:	Bachelor of Nursing
Closing date:	3 July 2024
Tenure:	One year
For:	Assistance with study
Number on offer:	One
Offer rate:	Annually
Value:	\$2,500

## Description

This Award was established in 2018 and is funded by Associate Professor Robyn Dixon, an honorary academic staff member in the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences.

The intention of the Award is to provide financial support to an undergraduate Nursing student from West Auckland who is experiencing financial hardship.

#### Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- 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 Robyn Dixon Nursing Award.
- 2. One Award will be made annually, for a period of up to one year and will be of the value of up to \$2,500.
- 3. To be eligible for Award consideration, an applicant must i) be a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident (see Note II), ii) have attended secondary school or kura in West Auckland (see Note III), and iii) be enrolled full-time in a Bachelor of Nursing (BNurs) or BNurs conjoint degree.
- 4. The basis of selection will be academic achievement (see Note IV) and financial hardship as assessed by a personal statement and the criteria at Note V.
- 5. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Head of the School of Nursing, one member of Academic Staff from the School of Nursing, nominated by the Head of the School of Nursing, and a representative of the donor.
- 6. Payment will be made in one instalment on acceptance of the Award.
- 7. The Award may be held concurrently with any other scholarship, award or grant as long as the the Regulations for that scholarship, award or grant permit and where 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.

- 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.
- 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. 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 Award.
- 11. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 3 July in the year of the award.
- 12. Notes [I] [VI] 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. 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. West Auckland is defined as the Auckland Council Local Board areas of Henderson-Massey, Waitākere Ranges and Whau.
- IV. Academic achievement is assessed as the grade point average (GPA) or grade point average (GPE) obtained over the applicant's two most recent years of fulltime graded study (or equivalent). Where an applicant has not yet completed two years of full-time grade study (or equivalent), the GPA/GPE will be obtained over all the study completed at the time of application.
- V. Financial hardship will be determined by a range of factors including eligibility for a StudyLink Student Allowance, and personal and financial circumstances.
- VI. 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.