Stanley Wishart Low Memorial Scholarship in Marine Science

**Description**

The Scholarship was established by a bequest from Dorothy Low for the purposes of assisting students undertaking research in the area of Marine Science. The bequest commemorates Dorothy Low's late husband, Stanley Wishart Low.

**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 Stanley Wishart Low Memorial Scholarship in Marine Science.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded triennially for a period of up to three years and will be of the value of $6,000 per annum.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, applicants must be enrolled, or enrolling, full-time in a PhD specialising in the area of Marine Science. Where a qualifying programme with a grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) is the basis for entry to the PhD, an applicant must have a GPA/GPE of 7.00 or above (6.50) for Māori or Pacific candidates in that programme to be eligible for Scholarship 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 I).
4. The Scholarship is tenable by domestic and international students.
5. The basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) calculated over the qualifying programme for entry to the PhD and the quality and relevance of the proposed research to the academic mission of Waipapa Taumata Rau | University of Auckland's Institute of Marine Science. 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.
6. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of Science (or nominee), the Director of the School of Biological Sciences (or nominee) and the Director of the Institute of Marine Science (or nominee).

7. To be paid the Scholarship, the awardee must be enrolled full-time in a PhD in Marine Science.

8. The Scholarship will be paid each year in one lump sum. The first payment will be made when enrolment is confirmed and thereafter on an annual basis.

9. The University of Auckland Council has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship, if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of the Scholar from the relevant Head of Department.

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. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 18 January in the year of the award.

13. Notes [I]-[III] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

I. Where the qualifying programme is an undergraduate honours degree (or equivalent undergraduate degree or integrated undergraduate and postgraduate degree), the GPA or GPE will be calculated over the final two years of full-time study (or equivalent) in the programme. In all other cases, the GPA or GPE will be calculated over the entirety of the qualifying programme.

II. Payments 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 and/or to assist the awardee with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.

III. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and must notify the Scholarships Office of any changes 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.