University of Auckland Business Masters Scholarship

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2013 and is funded by the University of Auckland Business School.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support students to gain the skills and knowledge required to launch a business career by completing a Master of Management or Master of Professional Accounting degree at the University of Auckland Business School.

**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 University of Auckland Business Masters Scholarship.
2. Scholarships will be awarded biannually and will be of the value of up to $16,000 each, paid as a contribution towards compulsory fees (see Notes I to III).
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a domestic student, and ii) enrolled, or enrolling, full-time in a Master of Applied Finance, a Master of Business Analytics, a Master of Management or Master of Professional Accounting degree at the University of Auckland Business School. Students who have commenced study in the programme are not eligible for consideration. A grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 6.00 (5.50 for Māori and Pacific candidates) in the most recent qualifying programme is required for Scholarship consideration (see Note IV).
4. The basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) calculated over the most recent qualifying programme (see Note IV) and the applicant’s potential to succeed in business studies at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland, career goals, motivation and how they can be an ambassador for the University of Auckland Business School as assessed by a personal statement.
(see Notes V and VI).

5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Business and Economics (or nominee), the Director of the Graduate School of Management (or nominee), and the Director of Masters Programmes of the Graduate School of Management (or nominee).

6. The Scholarship will be paid as a contribution towards compulsory fees each quarter (see Notes I to III).

7. To be paid the Scholarship, awardees must be enrolled full-time in a Master of Management or Master of Professional Accounting programme. To continue to hold the Scholarship, the awardee must maintain a GPA of 5.00 (equivalent to a B average) in each quarter of study.

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 and grant funding received and for which the awardee receives payment while also in payment for this Scholarship. Preference may be given to students not receiving other financial assistance.

9. The University of Auckland Council has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress by a Scholar from the Director of Masters Programmes of the Graduate School of Management, or if the Scholar withdraws from their programme of study.

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, in consultation with the Faculty of Business and Economics, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarships.

12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 5 March (for the April intake) and 9 August (for the September intake) in the year of the award.

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

**Notes**

I. **Tuition/Compulsory fees are the compulsory tuition fees for the relevant programme of study, plus Student Services Fee and Building Levy.**

II. **Students enrolled in a Master of Applied Finance, a Master of Business Analytics, or a Master of Management will be paid at $2,500 for each of the first four quarters of study and at $2,000 for the fifth and final quarter.**

III. **Students enrolled in the Master of Professional Accounting will be paid at $2,500 for each of the first four quarters of study and at $3,000 for the final two quarters of study.**

IV. **The most recent qualifying programme is defined as the most recently completed programme of study that qualifies the applicant for entry to the masters programme for which they are applying. Where the qualifying programme is a conjoint programme the GPA/GPE will be calculated over the entirety of the conjoint programme. The maximum approved exchange or transfer credit that can be excluded from the GPA/GPE calculation is 60 points. Where a bridging programme, including a Transitional Certificate, Graduate Diploma or Certificate of Proficiency, is required to qualify the applicant for entry to the postgraduate programme for which they are applying or are currently enrolled, the qualifying programme is the bridging programme and the most recently completed prior programme.**

V. **The written statement should be no more than 500 words.**

VI. **In accepting the Scholarship, the awardee authorises the use of their personal University of Auckland details and photo in promotional materials for the Business School’s programmes. In addition, it is anticipated that the recipient will participate as an ambassador at events which support and promote the Scholarships and studies in the University of Auckland Business School.**

VII. **If there are no candidates of sufficient merit the University of Auckland Council may, at its discretion, award the scholarship to candidates who are not citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand or Australia.**

VIII. **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.