University of Auckland Faculty of Law Entry Level Scholarship

Code: 699  
Faculty: Law  
Applicable study: First year of study for a LLB or LLB conjoint degree  
Closing date: 10 October 2024  
Tenure: Up to two years  
For: Assistance with study  
Number on offer: Up to ten  
Offer rate: Annually  
Value: Up to $1,000 pa

Description

The Scholarship was established in 2012 by the Dean of the Faculty of Law and is funded by the Faculty.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage and support high achieving school leavers to pursue law studies at the University of Auckland.

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 Faculty of Law Entry Level Scholarship.
2. Up to 10 Scholarships will be awarded annually, each for a period of up to two years, and will be of the value of $1,000 per annum each.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, applicants must be i) a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand, ii) currently enrolled in Year 13 at a New Zealand secondary school or kura, and iii) intending to enrol full-time in a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) or associated conjoint degree programme at the University of Auckland in the following year (See Note I).
4. The basis of selection will be academic merit as indicated by results at Level 2 or higher in the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) or an equivalent qualification, predicted results from their current year of study at a New Zealand secondary school or kura, as indicated by the confidential reference submitted by the applicant’s school, and the quality of a personal statement outlining why the applicant wants to study Law at the University of Auckland.
5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee.
Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Law (or nominee), the Associate Dean (Academic) of the Faculty of Law (or nominee) and the Programme Adviser of the Faculty of Law (or nominee).

6. To be paid the Scholarship, awardees must i) achieve entry to the University of Auckland with an NCEA rank score of at least 280, a CIE rank score of at least 350 or an IB score of at least 37, which are all equivalent to a University of Auckland grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 6.40, and ii) enrol full-time in an LLB or associated conjoint degree (See Notes II to V).

7. In the first year, the Scholarship will be paid in one lump sum instalment in the first semester of enrolment, as soon as is practical after confirmation of the awardee's enrolment, that is, after the final date on which a student may add or delete courses without incurring a late enrolment fee (see Notes II to V).

8. To be paid the second instalment of the Scholarship, awardees must i) gain entry to Part II of the LLB or associated conjoint degree, and ii) enrol in 60 or more points of 200-level Law courses (see Note VI).

9. 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 or grant funding received and for which the awardee receives payment while also in payment for this Scholarship.

10. The University of Auckland Council 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 Law.

11. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there are no candidates that meet the criteria and/or no candidates of sufficient merit.

12. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the Faculty of Law, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 10 October in the year preceding the award.

14. Notes [I]-[VII] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

I. The University of Auckland Faculty of Law Entry Level Scholarships must be applied for in the final year of study at a New Zealand secondary school or kura. Students who intend to take a gap year or who do not intend to enrol at University directly after completing their final year are also required to apply for this Scholarship while they are in their final year of secondary study.

II. The Scholarship does not cover Summer School courses undertaken prior to enrolment in the first semester of study.

III. Except in cases where there are compelling medical reasons or adverse personal circumstances beyond a student’s control, the uptake of scholarships cannot be deferred. Students who are offered a University of Auckland Faculty of Law Entry Level Scholarship but who do not take it up in the year of offer may request that their application be reconsidered in the intake of applications for the year immediately following. Deferral requests must be made in writing to the Scholarships Office.

IV. If a student enrols at another tertiary institution in New Zealand or overseas, the Scholarship will lapse.

V. Awardees must be enrolled continuously in their programme of study. Deferrals for students who have already commenced their degree will not usually be approved unless there are compelling medical or adverse personal circumstances beyond the student’s control. Deferral requests must be made in writing to the Scholarships Office.

VI. 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 to assist the awardee with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.

VII. Awardees will be required to 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 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.