Zachary Gravatt Memorial Scholarship

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2009 by the friends and family of Zachary Gravatt to commemorate his life. Zachary Gravatt was a student of the University of Auckland from 2006 to 2009 who overcame dyslexia and was a fourth year student doctor at the time of his death.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to fund professional development and/or training for a Year V to VI MBChB student who has overcome a significant personal challenge to succeed with their studies and who has demonstrated excellence in clinical skills.

**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 Zachary Gravatt Memorial Scholarship.
2. Two Scholarships will be awarded annually for a period of one year, and will be of the value of $6,000 each.
3. The Scholarship will be awarded to a Year V to VI Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBChB) student who i) is a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand, ii) is enrolled full-time in Year V to VI of an MBChB, iii) has overcome a significant personal challenge or challenges to succeed in their studies, and iv) has demonstrated excellence in clinical studies.
4. The basis of selection will be clinical skills achievement, the relevance of the proposed development or training and a personal statement.
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 Medical & Health Sciences (or nominee), one member of academic staff of the School of Medicine (appointed by the Dean) and one representative of the Donor (appointed by the sponsors or trustees).
6. The Scholarship will be paid in one instalment upon award. The awardee is required to provide the family with a report on completion of the development or training activity.

7. 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.

8. 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.

9. 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 Scholarship.

10. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 27 June in the year of the award.

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

**Notes**

I. *Due to the personal nature of the hardships or challenges that form the basis of any application for this Scholarship, applicants should note that the application is considered in confidence by the Selection Committee only.*

II. *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/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 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.*