

The Laura J Clad Memorial Scholarship

Regulations

Key Information

Closing date	1 November
Value	\$2,500
Tenure	One year
Number available annually	At least one
Applicable programmes during tenure	MSc or PhD in Science, with a thesis on a topic related to the preservation of ecology and environment.

1. Purpose

The purpose of the scholarship is to help outstanding students of environmental studies or related courses who show potential to contribute to the preservation of ecology and the environment.

2. Eligibility criteria

Applicants must be enrolled, or intending to enrol, full-time or part-time in Science at the University of Canterbury, in a programme for a Master of Science (MSc) or Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree. The scholarship is tenable during the undertaking of a thesis on a topic related to the preservation of ecology and environment.

3. Application process

3.1 Applications must be made online at the Scholarships website¹ by 1 November.

3.2 Applications are accepted from previous recipients of the scholarship, and are given equal consideration with applications from those who have not held the scholarship before.

4. Selection process

4.1 At least one scholarship is available annually.

4.2 The scholarship is awarded by the Council of the University on the recommendation of a selection committee comprising:

- a. the Vice-Chancellor (or nominee); and
- b. the Academic Dean of Science (or nominee).

5. Selection criteria

5.1 In making the recommendation(s), the selection committee considers, in descending order of priority:

- a. academic achievement;

- b. the current or proposed programme of study; and
- c. financial need.

5.2 If, in any year, there is no candidate of sufficient merit no scholarship is awarded. In such a case, the value of the unawarded scholarship may be used to fund an additional scholarship in the following year.

5.3 If, in any year, there is more than one applicant of equal merit, the scholarship may be awarded to all, with each receiving equal value.

6. Conditions of acceptance

6.1 Unless otherwise specified in the offer letter, an offer of a scholarship lapses if it is not formally accepted within one calendar month of the date of the offer.

6.2 By accepting the award, recipients permit publication and announcement of their acceptance.

7. Value and payment schedule

7.1 The scholarship provides financial assistance at a value of \$2,500.

7.2 The scholarship is paid by direct credit to the recipient's nominated New Zealand bank account.

8. Tenability and retention criteria

8.1 The scholarship must be taken up in the year following the year of application.

8.2 The scholarship is tenable by students enrolled part-time or full-time in a programme for an MSc or PhD in Science at the University and undertaking a thesis on a topic related to the preservation of ecology and environment.

8.3 The scholarship is tenable for one year.

8.4 The scholarship is not co-tenable with any other award of equal or greater value. It is co-tenable with awards of lesser value unless the conditions of the other award preclude this. The value awarded to a recipient may be reduced in accordance with the number and nature of any other awards held.

8.5 In the event where a recipient's enrolment in the year of tenure no longer meets the conditions specified in clause 8.2, the scholarship is withdrawn and any paid funds may be recovered.

8.6 Continuation of a scholarship is conditional on satisfactory academic progress and adherence to the University's statutes and regulations.

9. Background information

The scholarship was established in 1990 from the will of Mrs J E Clad, whose daughter Laura Clad was a student at the University until her accidental death in 1971.

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Notes

¹ www.canterbury.ac.nz/scholarships/