

JUNE OPIE FELLOWSHIP

The closing date for applications is

1 OCTOBER ANNUALLY

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Application forms and full Regulations for the Fellowship are available from the Scholarship Offices at The University of Auckland, New Zealand, Simon Fraser University, Canada and The University of New South Wales, Australia.

**Scholarships Office
The University of Auckland
Private Bag 92019
Auckland
New Zealand**

**www.auckland.ac.nz/scholarships
scholarships@auckland.ac.nz
Tel: 0064 9 373 7599 ext. 87494
Fax: 0064 9 308 2309**

**Simon Fraser University
Burnaby
British Columbia, V5A 1S6
CANADA**

**The University of New South Wales
Sydney
New South Wales, 2052
AUSTRALIA**

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Regulations

1. The Award shall be known as the June Opie Fellowship.
2. The Fellowship which is for one year will be administered through The University of Auckland.
3. Only one Fellowship is to be awarded per annum unless the awarding panel decides to offer one or more of less than the normal maximum value; or, no suitable candidates having been found in any one year, it becomes possible to make an additional award in a subsequent year.
4. The awarding panel will be composed of the Vice-Chancellor of The University of Auckland or nominee; the Vice-Chancellor of the University of New South Wales or nominee who may be from any Australian university; and the President of the Simon Fraser University or nominee who may be from any Canadian university.
5. The value of the award which is expected to be about NZD\$12,000 will vary at the discretion of the panel. With the panel's approval it may be held together with another award, provided that the rules of the latter so permit.
6. The panel will examine the applications and select the scholars from the candidates after such consultation among themselves, by mail or otherwise, and seeking such advice as is appropriate.
7. The panel shall have power to establish its procedures and to make a decision on a majority vote. It is not necessary for the panel to meet in order to conduct its business.
8. The University of Auckland may widen the criteria for the award if, after due endeavour, it considers this necessary in order to effect the overall objectives and shall give due consideration to any recommendations of the panel.
9. It is important that the candidates have a knowledge of what has been and is happening in this field and the centres where it is happening. They must have a vision of the future that is of principal importance in considering disability issues.

10. Recipients of the award will be expected to participate verbally or in writing, or both, in the discussion of disability issues; write or work with writers of computer software programmes and make a contribution to the advancement of people with disabilities.
11. While the award is not confined to any specific programme, subject or course of study, the recipient will be expected while holding the award to engage in research or other activity that will further the advance of ideas and technology of benefit to all people of whatever disability. A report on the work done should be made available to all three university faculties involved.
12. The University of Auckland will administer and invest the Trust Fund. The donor states that only income may be applied towards an award. The net income not used for an award in any one year may be accumulated and used towards an award in a following year. The University may capitalise the income at its discretion but only after prior discussion with the panel.
13. The donor wishes that a Fellow be an adviser to the panel for the period of twelve months following the end of the Fellowship. The donor expects the Fellow to supply written material to the panel on work done under the award and to make recommendations to the panel as to how the Fellowship can be more effectively administered. The donor desires that the Fellow contributes “enthusiasm, drive, and creative ideas” to benefit the thinking and planning of the panel.

June Opie Fellowship Application Form

Student ID:

1. Name in Full:

Miss / Ms / Mrs / Mr / Dr: _____

2. Address:

(For correspondence about this application - giving dates when you will be at this address)

Telephone *(Full International Code)* _____

3. Address of Permanent Residence:

Telephone *(Full International Code)* _____

Email Address:

4. Nationality:

5. Place and Date of Birth:

Student ID: _____

6. Family:

Single or Married _____

Number of Children *(if any and their ages)* _____

7. If intending to sit for an examination (public, or other university) before taking up the Fellowship, please give the details of the exam and the date when results are expected:

Examination results _____

Thesis *(if applicable)* _____

8. Academic Prizes or distinctions received:

(These should exclude school awards but include entrance awards)

9. Publication and titles of theses submitted for any tertiary qualification:

(State degree, diploma or other, and give details)

Publications: _____

Titles of thesis for any degree: _____

10. Present occupation or employment, and previous appointments, if any:

(Attach a curriculum vitae if preferred)

11. Which degree or qualification are you aiming for?

12. What is your field of study? How does this relate to the area of disability?

13. At which University and in which department is your study based?

14. Tertiary Education Record:

Institution	Place and Country	Years Attended		Degrees, Diplomas or Certificates gained
		from	to	
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

15. Referees (Academic):

Give the names of two persons whom you have asked to forward confidential references to the Scholarships Office, The University of Auckland. They must attest to your qualifications and ability to carry out the proposed study according to the intentions of the Fellowship, your character, initiative, perseverance and capacity for Leadership.

Name _____

Address _____

Student ID: _____

15. Referees (Academic) (cont):

Name _____

Address _____

16. Referees (Medical/Disability):

Give the name of one person whom you have asked to forward a confidential reference to the Scholarships Office,
The University of Auckland. This reference must attest to the nature and degree of your disability.

Name _____

Address _____

17. Proposed Course of Study:

Attach a statement detailing your proposed study or research, what you hope to gain from it and what you expect to contribute to your profession in respect to disability issues.

18. Academic Record:

Attach an original or certified copy of your academic record to date.

19. Non Academic activities:

Attach a statement detailing your non-academic activities and interests.

20. Future Occupation:

Attach a statement outlining your proposed future occupation.

21. Citizenship / Residency:

Please supply proof of your citizenship or permanent residency status of Australia, Canada or New Zealand in the form of a certified copy of your passport.

22. Declaration:

I have read and understood the regulations for the June Opie Fellowship and agree to abide by them.

Date _____

Signature _____

This form must be with the Scholarships Office by 1 October

Room 112, The ClockTower
22 Princes Street
Auckland, New Zealand

Facsimile: 64 9 308 2309
email: scholarships@auckland.ac.nz

The University of Auckland
Private Bag 92019
Auckland New Zealand

LIST OF REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

PLEASE NOTE THAT **COMPLETE** APPLICATIONS ARE DUE AT THE SCHOLARSHIPS OFFICE OF
THE UNIVERSITY OF AUCKLAND, PRIVATE BAG 92019, AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND,
BY 5PM ON 1 OCTOBER

As part of your application please supply the following documents:

- Item 10. If preferred, an unbound copy of your CV,
(on plain white paper, please, for ease of photocopying).
- Item 17. Statement detailing proposed course of study or research, what you hope to gain from it and what you expect to contribute to your profession in respect of disability issues.
- Item 18. Original* or certified copy of your academic record to date.
- Item 19. Statement detailing your non-academic activities and interests.
- Item 20. Statement outlining your proposed future occupation.
- Item 21. Please supply proof of your citizenship or permanent residency status of Australia, Canada or New Zealand, in the form of a certified copy of your passport or other official document.

*** Please note that we do not guarantee to return original certificates.**

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Medical Referee's Report

Applicant's Name:

Student ID Number:

University where currently enrolled:

Please provide a confidential statement for the above-named applicant testifying to the nature and degree of the disability. This reference will only be used by the Selection Committee in determining the applicant's eligibility for the June Opie Fellowship.

Referee's Name: *(Please print)*

Address:

Signature: Date:

Please return this form to the Student Information Centre, Room 112, ClockTower, The University of Auckland, 22 Princes Street, (Private Bag 92.019), Auckland, by 1 October. Thank you.

JUNE OPIE FELLOWSHIP
Referee's Report

Applicant's Name:

Student ID Number:

University Enrolled at:

Please provide a confidential reference (ACADEMIC or PERSONAL) for the above-named student. This reference will only be used by the Selection Committee in determining the applicant's eligibility for the June Opie Fellowship.

Referee's Name: *(Please print)*

Address:

Signature: Date:

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PRIVACY PROVISIONS

The information requested in this application form will be used for the purposes of assessing your application for the June Opie Fellowship. Personal information contained in this application will be made available to members of the Selection Committee for this award, the membership of which is detailed in the award regulations. The Selection Committee will use the following information obtained from third parties in assessing your application.

- Your academic record, and
- personal references obtained from the persons whom you have named in your application.

The University of Auckland undertakes to store your application in a secure place in the event that you are successful in gaining an award or are selected as a reserve candidate for an award, and to destroy your application to preserve its confidentiality in the event that you are unsuccessful in gaining an award.

Should you have reason to believe that information held about you in your application is incorrect, you have the right of access to, and correction of, that information.

Personal references from the persons you have named are obtained on the strict understanding that they are confidential, and you may not have access to those references without the written authorisation of the author.

I,.....agree to the above conditions in respect
(Please print your name here)

to my **June Opie Fellowship** application to The University of Auckland.

Signed: Date:

ADVICE TO APPLICANTS

Complete applications must arrive by the date shown on the front of this form. **No undertaking is given to accept late applications.**

It is your responsibility to contact your referees, and ask them to send their references, on the forms provided, to the Scholarships Officer of The University of Auckland (address given on form). References should be clearly marked with your name and if not already on the form provided, then also with the name of the Fellowship. Referees should **not** be asked to send their references to you, as they must have the opportunity to be completely frank.

Please do not send original birth certificates or other original documents. Send only copies that have been certified. **The University of Auckland accepts no responsibility to return original certificates.**

Please do not fix your application into any sort of folder. Simply attach all pages at the top left hand corner. *All pages should be A4 size* and preferably on white paper for clarity in photocopying.

If you have any queries regarding your eligibility or how to apply, please contact Scholarships Office, Ph: (64) (9) 373 7599 ext. 87494. Fax: (64) (9) 308 2309 (84109 internal fax no), e_mail: scholarships@auckland.ac.nz.