

Ken and Elizabeth Powell Scholarship

Scholarship Regulations

Focus

Technology

Level of Study

Undergraduate and Postgraduate

Purpose

The purpose of the scholarship is to provide financial support to students who are involved in the advancement of technology at Massey University.

Background

This scholarship arises from a bequest to Massey University by Ken and Elizabeth Powell. Ken had his own business and spent years correcting and calibrating precision equipment including aeronautical and survey equipment, levels and gauges. Elizabeth was a midwife and delivered thousands of babies. Both witnessed huge changes in technology in their work over their lifetime. Ken is quoted as saying “Technology has been at the heart of our lives and work, and we want our bequest to give people enthusiastic about technology an extra edge”.

Value and Tenure

The scholarship shall be awarded annually, with the amount available for disbursement determined by the interest earned on the capital fund.

The number and value of the awards will be determined by the selection committee, with each award having a value of up to \$10,000. The tenure of the scholarship is one year.

Typical Number on Offer

Multiple scholarships are offered each year dependent on funds.

Eligibility

Applicants must be:

- New Zealand citizens or permanent residents

- be undertaking research relating to the advancement of technology;

Undergraduate research will typically be 30 credits may include:

- Research projects as part of coursework
- Research conducted during an internship or placement
- Honours projects

Postgraduate research will typically be 60 credits and may include:

- Research Reports
- Professional Projects, Professional Practice, or Professional Inquiry
- Clinical Projects
- Applied Analytic Projects

Preference may be given to research in areas of health, nursing, or built environment and construction.

Applicants undertaking research with a credit value of 90 credits or more, including Doctoral at level, are not eligible to apply.

Selection Criteria

The selection will be based on:

- academic merit
- evidence of commitment to advancing the benefits of technology
- evidence of good citizenship and leadership or community involvement
- referees' reports
- applicability and merit of proposed course of study in relation to the purpose of this award

Preference will be given to applicants who have not previously received financial assistance through a bursary, scholarship, grant, or award.

Selection Committee

The scholarship is awarded by the University Scholarships Selection Committee on the recommendation of a panel of academic staff members teaching in relevant areas of technology, and the executors of the Powell Estate.

Conditions of the Scholarship

The Committee may decline to award any scholarships in any year if there are no applicants of sufficient merit to warrant an award.

At the discretion of the University all, or part, of the annual interest may be reinvested in order to maintain the value of the capital fund or the value of the award for subsequent years.

The scholarship may be held in conjunction with other scholarships, bursaries or awards, so long as those scholarships, bursaries or awards permit co-tenure.

Scholars may apply in successive years subject to meeting the eligibility criteria.

Payment will normally be made in two instalments. The first payment will be made at the time the scholarship is awarded. The second payment in semester two will be made subject to a review of academic performance in semester one.