

The Dorothy Edith Wynyard Agricultural Scholarship

Scholarship Regulations

Focus

Farming, agriculture

Level of Study

Undergraduate

Purpose

The Dorothy Edith Wynyard Agricultural Scholarship supports students transitioning from high school into an undergraduate degree in agriculture or animal science.

Background

Dorothy Edith Wynyard was a teacher, a nurse, a farmer and a mother. More than this, she had a passion and a curiosity to learn. This is perhaps what drove her to begin studying for a Bachelor of Arts at the age of 59 in 1972. She studied extramurally while managing the family farm near Raglan and graduated aged 79 in 1993. At that time, she was Massey's oldest graduate.

This scholarship has been established in her memory by her daughter, Annella Wynyard, to support and encourage those that wish to study agriculture but might otherwise struggle to afford the cost of study.

Value and Tenure

The value of the scholarship is dependent on income from the Dorothy Wynyard Fund, which is held and invested by the Massey University Foundation and is generally expected to be around \$8,000 per annum.

Tenure is for one year.

Typical Number on Offer

Typically, one scholarship will be awarded each year.

Eligibility

Applicants must be:

- New Zealand citizens or permanent residents

- enrolling in the first year of a Bachelor of Agricultural Science, Bachelor of Animal Science, or Bachelor of Agribusiness at Massey University

Selection Criteria

Selection criteria is based on:

- academic merit achieved in NCEA or equivalent
- a 500-word statement outlining why the applicant wants to study agriculture and what benefit it would have to them, their family, community and country.
- a reference from the applicant's high school, workplace, voluntary organisation, or a registered charity or club attesting to their work ethic and/or community involvement

Any evidence of any financial challenges faced will also be taken into consideration.

Selection Panel

The selection will be made by the University's Scholarships Selection Committee on the recommendation of a panel from the School of Agriculture and Environment.

Conditions of the Scholarship

The scholarship will be paid in two equal instalments following the official withdrawal dates for semester one and semester two. The second payment is conditional upon successful completion of semester one, and continued enrolment in an approved programme of study.

Co-tenure is permitted with other scholarships, bursaries, and awards as long as the other scholarships, bursaries and awards permit co-tenure.

The selection committee may refrain from making an award if, in its opinion, there are no suitable applicants.