



The University of Otago Ralph Moir Memorial Entrance Scholarship

Established in 2023 from a generous gifting of funds from Don Moir in the memory of his late father Ralph Moir (1921-2001), a dedicated surveyor of over 60 years who worked across all parts of Otago and Southland. This Scholarship supports students to pursue a Bachelor of Surveying degree at the University of Otago.

Application and award

Every applicant must submit an Entrance Scholarship application through the University's student management system (eVision) by 15 August in the year prior to enrolment. If no suitable applicant is found, the due date for submission of applications may be extended.

Applications will be open to students who are normally eligible for the University of Otago 150th Entrance Scholarships. To be considered for this scholarship, applicants are advised to complete the Financial and/or Family Circumstances sections of the Entrance Scholarship application.

Selection process

The Selection Panel, consisting of the Manager, Undergraduate Entrance Scholarships, a representative of the School of Surveying, and a representative of Development and Alumni Relations, or their nominees shall consider the following factors in awarding the scholarship:

- ♦ Academic ability (a minimum of NCEA Level 2 awarded with merit, or equivalent, is normally required for consideration).
- ♦ Financial need and/or life circumstances which present significant barriers to studying at university.
- ♦ Potential and motivation to succeed at university.
- ♦ First consideration to be given to those applicants who normally reside in the Southland region.

Financial arrangements

- ♦ The value of the scholarship is \$15,000 with a two-year tenure.
- ♦ For those accepting a place in a Residential College, or University Flat, it will be paid as an accommodation fee waiver of \$5,000 in year one, paid directly to the Residential College or University Flat (the scholarship is not able to be used for payment or part-payment of Residential College placement, deposit, activity or equivalent fees due prior to studying), and \$10,000 towards tuition fees for year two.

- ♦ For those living in the local community (boarding, flatting or living at home), it will normally comprise of \$5,000 in year one, firstly towards tuition and student services fees, if applicable, then as a monthly stipend or lump sum, and \$10,000 towards tuition fees for year two.
- ♦ If the tuition fees for year two are greater than \$10,000 the donor may choose to provide additional support at their discretion.

Scholarship terms and conditions

In addition to the standard Undergraduate Entrance Scholarship terms and conditions the following provisions apply, subject to the specific provisions of the offer letter for the recipient:

- ♦ To receive the scholarship the recipient must be enrolled in the Surveying First Year (BSc) programme in year one of tenure.
- ♦ Tenure in year two is subject to the recipient being accepted into and enrolled in the full Bachelor of Surveying programme.
- ♦ Payment of this scholarship will only be made once a copy of a message of appreciation from the scholarship recipient to the donor has been received by the Development and Alumni Relations Office.
- ♦ This scholarship may be held concurrently with any other University of Otago Entrance Scholarship at the discretion of the selection panel.