

S & G Higgs Scholarship

This scholarship is made possible by the generous gifting of funds by Stephen and Gail Higgs. The scholarship supports students who have a learning disability and takes into account personal circumstances and academic ability.

Applications will be open to students who are normally eligible for the University of Otago Donna-Rose McKay Entrance Scholarships. Applicants will apply for this scholarship using the usual Entrance Scholarships process supplying information on their learning disability as distinct from a physical disability.

The Selection Panel, consisting of the Manager Disability Information and Support, in the chair, the Director of Development and Alumni Relations Office and the Manager, Undergraduate Entrance Scholarships, or their nominees, shall consider the following factors in awarding the scholarships:

- Academic ability.
- The learning disability which makes studying at Otago a personal challenge.
- Potential and motivation to succeed at university.
- Financial need and life/personal circumstances which present barriers to studying at the University of Otago.

The donor will be advised of the recommendation of the selection panel and the circumstances of the recipient that align with the above factors.

The standard value and tenure of this scholarship is NZ\$6,000. The Entrance Scholarships Terms and Conditions will apply. For exceptional applicants, and exceptional circumstances, this scholarship can be awarded at a higher value and a longer tenure. Donor approval is required before any additional scholarships awarded at a higher value and longer tenure are awarded.

Where no suitable applicant is found, no award shall be made.