



The Kirsty Watterson Memorial Scholarship in Law

Established by the University of Otago Council in 2013 in remembrance of Kirsty Watterson, a University of Otago Faculty of Law graduate who passed away in 2007.

After graduating with an LLB(Hons)/BA in 1995 Kirsty joined Bell Gully in Auckland and later lived in Oman, Bahrain and Abu Dhabi, with her husband Roger Clarke, a partner in Trowers and Hamlins. In 2004 Kirsty joined Shoosmiths, a national firm in the United Kingdom, and in 2006 she was invited to join the partnership, specialising in Banking and Finance in the Thames Valley office. Kirsty passed away suddenly and unexpectedly on 5th December 2007, whilst returning to Hampshire, following a holiday with her mother Margaret Watterson and two sisters, Zara and Amy, both of whom studied at Otago University. Kirsty is survived by her husband Roger and their two children Amy and Hugo.

Eligibility

Applications are open to University of Otago students undertaking the LLB degree at 200 - level or higher, and who have at least one full year of study to complete their law degree; who are in financial need and who otherwise might not be able to continue to study in the Faculty of Law.

Application Process

Every applicant must submit an application to the Faculty of Law by the specified closing date, comprising:

- ♦ A 500 word statement addressing how they fit the selection criteria in regards to financial need
- ♦ A brief Curriculum Vitae

Selection Process

- ♦ An awarding committee consisting of the Dean, Faculty of Law (or nominee), the Public Relations & Marketing Manager, Faculty of Law (or nominee), and a representative of the Watterson family, shall consider the following factors:
- ♦ Financial need
- ♦ Academic achievement in the Law programme

Financial Arrangements

The scholarship is valued at \$6,000, to be received in the form of a fee waiver in the first instance. Any remaining funds shall be paid directly to the recipient to be used for text books.

Tenure

- ♦ The scholarship is for one year only.
- ♦ The scholarship may be held concurrently with other awards.