

Robert Bell Scholarship

Waeture | Regulations

Whakamāramatanga | Key Information

Rā whakamutunga | Closing date

None: enrolment in a programme for one of the following qualifications constitutes an application for the scholarship, and no separate application is required:

• A BC degree with a major in Journalism (candidates must be enrolled at 300-level)

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A GradDipJour

Whaipainga | Value

• BC students: \$7,000

• GradDipJour students: \$8,000

Wā roanga | Tenure

Up to 120 points of enrolment

Rahinga ia tau | Number available annually

At least one¹

Herenga tika | Applicable enrolment/programmes during tenure

enrolled at 300-level)

A GradDipJour

1. Aronga | Purpose

This scholarship supports students of Journalism at Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha University of Canterbury.

2. Paearu māraurau | Eligibility criteria

- 2.1 Candidates must be enrolled at the University, full-time or part-time, in a programme for one of the following qualifications:
 - a. A BC degree with a major in Journalism (candidates must be enrolled at 300-level)
 - b. A GradDipJour
- 2.2 Current and former recipients of the Robert Bell Scholarship are not eligible: the scholarship may be held only once.

3. Tukanga tononga | Application process

Enrolment as specified in section 2 constitutes an application for the scholarship, and no separate application is required.

4. Tukanga kōwhiringa | Selection process

- 4.1 At least one scholarship is available annually.1
- 4.2 The scholarship is awarded by Te Kaunihera | University Council on the recommendation of a selection committee comprising:
 - a. the Tumu Whakarae | Vice-Chancellor (or nominee); and
 - b. the Tumuaki | Head of Journalism (or nominee).
- 4.3 Normally, the scholarship is offered to the selected student(s) in April.

5. Paearu kōwhiringa | Selection criteria

- 5.1 In making the recommendation(s), the selection committee considers the following:
 - a. BC candidates: Academic achievement at 200 level
 - b. GradDipJour candidates: Academic achievement in the qualifying degree
- 5.2 If, in any year, there are fewer candidates of sufficient merit than there are scholarships available, fewer scholarships are offered.

6. Mahere utu | Value and payment schedule

- 6.1 The scholarship provides tuition fees for the applicable Journalism programme (see clause 7.2).
- 6.2 The scholarship is paid by direct credit to a recipient's nominated New Zealand bank account.

7. Paearu here | Tenability and retention criteria

- 7.1 A recipient must take up the scholarship in the year in which it is offered to them.
- 7.2 The scholarship is tenable during full-time or part-time enrolment at the University in a programme for one of the following qualifications:
 - a. A BC degree with a major in Journalism (recipients must be enrolled at 300-level)
 - b. A GradDipJour
- 7.3 The scholarship is tenable for up to 120 points of enrolment.
- 7.4 The scholarship is co-tenable with any other award unless the conditions of the other award preclude this. However, in a case of co-tenure the Council may reduce the value of the Robert Bell Scholarship.
- 7.5 If, during tenure, a recipient's enrolment no longer meets the conditions specified in clause 7.2, the scholarship may be withdrawn and any paid funds may be recovered.
- 7.6 Continuation of a scholarship is conditional on satisfactory academic progress and adherence to the University's statutes, regulations, policies, and rules.

8. Whakamahuki | Background information

Robert Bell (1863–1937) established the scholarship in 1920 for the purpose of promoting the scientific study of Journalism. Mr Bell was a prominent New Zealand newspaper proprietor and a former president of the Press Congress of the World. At the time of establishing the scholarship Mr Bell also provided funds and a proposal that led to the establishment of Journalism as a programme of study at the University.

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Pitopito korero | Notes

¹ If, in any year, the fund would support the awarding of more than one scholarship, one or more additional scholarships may be available.