

# The Helen E. Akers Doctoral Scholarship

Scholarship Regulations

#### **Focus**

Agriculture and horticulture

## **Level of Study**

Doctoral

## **Purpose**

The Helen E. Akers Doctoral Scholarship financially supports agriculture and horticulture doctoral students.

# **Background**

This scholarship was established under the terms of the will of Helen E. Akers. The scholarship is funded from her shares in Maraekowhai Developing Company.

#### **Value and Tenure**

The annual value of the scholarship is up to \$6,000 and in recent years has been approximately \$2,000.

The scholarships are usually awarded annually. The tenure is for a single academic year and recipients are welcome to reapply.

## **Typical Number on Offer**

Multiple awards are made with the number of scholarships offered each year varies depending on how much funding is available.

#### Eligibility

Applicants must be enrolled full time for a doctoral degree in one of the Applied Academic Programme disciplines relevant to agriculture or horticulture (course prefix of 111, 112, 117, 119, 138, 171, 188, 189 or 239) at Massey University.

### **Selection Criteria**

The selection will be based on:

- academic merit
- the benefit to the applicant and their study in receiving this scholarship, and how well the applicant meets the conditions and intentions of the scholarship

The University Scholarships Committee may take account of other scholarships and bursaries held by the applicants in seeking an equitable distribution of funds.

#### **Selection Panel**

The scholarship is awarded by the University Scholarships Committee on the recommendation of the Applied Academic Programmes Scholarships Committee, College of Sciences.

The University Scholarships Committee has the right to refrain from making an award if there are no suitable applicants and its decision is final.

# **Conditions of the Scholarship**

The Applied Academic Programmes Scholarships Committee may recommend the withdrawal or suspension of an award at any time if the recipient fails to make satisfactory academic progress.

The scholarship may be held in conjunction with other scholarships, bursaries or awards, so long as those scholarships, bursaries or awards permit co-tenure.