

Waikato Graduate Women Educational Trust

Dame Jocelyn Fish Award

1. Purpose

To assist women students enrolled in Waikato or Bay of Plenty tertiary institutions, who are majoring in a non-traditional field for women.

2. Funding available: \$1,000 per year, from the second year onward, for the course of the degree, up to a maximum period of three years. Payment of annual instalments will be subject to satisfactory progress in the degree programme.

3. Closing date: 30 April

Applications must be sent to the WGWA Awards Committee, P.O. Box 148, Hamilton 3240, by the due date.

Applicants are responsible for ensuring that their referee sends their confidential reference by the due date, using the form provided on the Academic Awards page of the Waikato Graduate Women Educational Trust website.

4. Eligibility criteria

Applicants for the award must be:

- a) women students enrolled full-time in the second year or above, of a first degree programme, offered by a Waikato or Bay of Plenty tertiary institution, majoring in a non-traditional field for women (i.e. women make up less than 30% of the student cohort), such as computer science, engineering, mathematics, technology.
- b) holders of New Zealand citizenship or have held permanent residence for at least two years.

5. Application process

Applications must include:

- a) the completed application form;
- b) a certified copy of the applicant's current academic transcript;
- c) a statement explaining why the applicant believes her major should be considered a non-traditional field of study for women;
- d) a written statement of up to 200 words about how the applicant hopes to contribute to her field of study and the benefit that she hopes to obtain from the Award;
- e) the name and contact details of an academic referee. The referee must be from the applicant's tertiary institution and must be familiar with her field of study;
- f) evidence of NZ citizenship or permanent residence.

6. Selection

The Award will be made primarily on academic merit.

The Awards Committee of the Waikato Graduate Women Educational Trust will administer the Award. The Committee's decision is final.

The number of awards will be subject to availability of funds and standard of applications. If, in the opinion of the Committee, applications are not of an acceptable standard, no award will be made.

7. Awarding

Award winners will be informed in June of the year applications are submitted.