

The Edward and Isabel Kidson Scholarship

The funds for these scholarships are provided by the income from a bequest made to the University of New Zealand in 1959 by Isabel Maria Kidson, to enable a New Zealand university graduate to undertake doctoral study in meteorology.

1. Purpose

The purpose of the scholarships is to enable a graduate of a New Zealand university, who is of good character and who has shown an ability in physics or a combination of physics and mathematics, to undertake further advanced study or research in meteorology, either in New Zealand or elsewhere.

2. Eligibility

Applications will be accepted from applicants who meet the following criteria:

- 2.1 Are studying physics or a combination of physics and mathematics,
- 2.2 to undertake further advanced study or research in meteorology.

Should there be in any year no suitable candidate for an award of the scholarship for that purpose in that subject, then further advanced study or research either in New Zealand or elsewhere in some other branch of science is acceptable.

3. Selection Criteria

The application form will request, and applicants must provide certain statements and documents. These must be part of the application if it is to be judged eligible for consideration by the selection committee.

In considering applications for the scholarship the Panel will consider the candidate's:

- 3.1 academic merit, assessed across the record and achievement n2.
- 3.2 general attributes and achievements.
- 3.3 If in any year there is more than one suitable candidate for a scholarship then preference will be given to one who has been a pupil of Nelson Boys' College or, if there is no such candidate, then one who has been an undergraduate at the University of Canterbury.

The selection committee's decision is final, and no correspondence will be entered into following the selection meeting.

4. Applications

Candidates should complete an application using the Universities NZ online scholarships application website: <https://universitiesnz.communityforce.com> The closing date is 1 October.

- 4.1 statement of reasons for undertaking postgraduate study; and
- 4.2 supporting confidential references.
- 4.3 academic transcript from their New Zealand university.

5. Tenure

The scholarships will be awarded each year by Universities New Zealand, on the recommendation of the UNZ Scholarships Committee, to persons undertaking doctoral study and who best fit the special conditions of the award and shall be shall be tenable for up to three years whilst that person undertakes full-time doctoral study.

6. Value

6.1 Number and value of scholarships

Scholarships will be offered every year and will be of such annual amount and of such number as determined by Universities New Zealand, having regard to the income available for the purpose. In recent years the value of the scholarship has been set at \$6,000 per annum for up to three years. Up to three awards have been made annually.

6.2 Power to vary

Universities New Zealand may make such rules and regulations as it shall from time to time think fit governing application for the scholarships and the award emoluments and general conditions of tenure thereof and may vary or revoke any such rules and regulations and may deviate at the discretion of Universities New Zealand from strict adherence to the aforesaid requirements relating to the scholarships according to the exigencies of the circumstances but so that the essential purposes of the scholarships are fulfilled as far as possible.

7. Publicity

Scholars will agree to have their name and image published and be available for interviews with the media if required.