

**Waikato Graduate Women Educational Trust
Ngā Raukura Wāhine Mātauranga o Waikato**

Dame Jocelyn Fish Award – Information

This Award acknowledges Dame Jocelyn's long-time contribution to women's affairs, her example of women in non-traditional roles, and her huge contribution to the WGWET. It was first awarded in 2016.

1. Purpose

To assist women students enrolled at a Waikato or Bay of Plenty tertiary institution in a bachelors programme in a non-traditional field for women.

2. Funding available

\$1,000 per year, from the second year onward of the recipient's programme, for up to a maximum of three years. Payment of annual instalments is subject to satisfactory progress in the programme. The funds will be transferred to the recipient's nominated bank account. A certificate may be presented to the recipient at the Trust's annual awards ceremony.

3. Closing date

30 April

Applications, which must be received by the closing date, can be emailed to awards@wgweducationaltrust.nz or posted to the Waikato Graduate Women Awards Committee, PO Box 148, Hamilton 3240.

4. Eligibility criteria

Applicants must:

- a. be women students enrolled full-time in the second year or above, of their first bachelor degree programme, offered by a Waikato or Bay of Plenty tertiary institution, and majoring in a non-traditional field for women (i.e. women are less than 30% of the student cohort);
- b. be a New Zealand citizen, or have held permanent residence for at least two years.

5. Application process

Applicants must provide:

- a. the completed application form;
- b. if not enrolled at the University of Waikato, a certified copy of the applicant's current academic transcript;
- c. a synopsis of up to 500 words describing:
 - o why the applicant believes her programme is a non-traditional field of study for women;
 - o how the applicant hopes to contribute to her field of study;
 - o the benefit the applicant hopes to gain from the Award;
- d. evidence of New Zealand citizenship, or permanent residence of at least two years;
- c. name and contact details of an academic referee from the applicant's tertiary institution, familiar with her field of study. The referee should send this reference directly to the Trust by the closing date.

6. Selection

- a. The Awards Committee of the Waikato Graduate Women Educational Trust will administer the Award. The Committee's decision is final;
- b. The Award will be made primarily on academic merit;
- c. The number of awards will be subject to availability of funds and the 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.

8. Requirement for continued funding

Before paying any subsequent instalments to recipients, the Waikato Graduate Women Educational Trust will obtain an annual progress report of up to 200 words from the academic referee. The Trust may use the reports for publicity.