

The Terry Healy Memorial Award was established in 2011 from donations of family, colleagues, friends and students of Professor Terry Robin Healy (1944-2010) following his untimely death from prostate cancer on 20 July 2010. The fund commemorates the major contributions Professor Healy made to the (then) Department of Earth (and Ocean) Sciences during his 38-year career at the University of Waikato between 1973 and 2010. Widely regarded as one of New Zealand's pre-eminent coastal marine scientists, his work was acknowledged in 2010 with a Queen's Birthday honour as a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit, a University of Waikato Medal, and a life membership of the New Zealand Coastal Society.

Professor Healy was a prominent member of the international coastal research community, and advanced strong collaborative links between colleagues and postgraduate students at the University of Bremen in Germany. One scholarship is offered annually.

## 1. Purpose

- 1.1 The Award assists postgraduate students with degree-related travel cost, nationally or internationally (e.g., part-study at an overseas institution, to access specialised analytical equipment, to conduct fieldwork, or to present research outcomes at a scientific conference).

## 2. Eligibility and Selection Criteria

### 2.1. To be eligible, applicants must:

- 2.1.1 be currently enrolled, part- or full-time, in a masters by research or doctoral degree in an Earth Sciences subject; and
- 2.1.2 not have received the Award previously.

### 2.2. Selection will be based on:

- 2.2.1 academic merit;
- 2.2.2 other special conditions of financial hardship, special needs, and the motivation of the applicant;

2.2. Preference will be given to students studying in marine sciences, but applications will be considered for all areas appropriate to the current research activities of the Earth Sciences subject in the School of Science.

2.3. Special consideration will be given to applicants not in receipt of other awards providing significant funds and/or not receiving substantial financial assistance under a research contract.

### 2.4. To maintain eligibility recipients must:

- 2.4.1. remain enrolled, either part- or full-time during the Award tenure.

### 3. Value, Tenure and Awarding

- 3.1. The Award will have a value of **\$5,000**, paid in one lump sum directly into the recipient's bank account as soon as practicable after acceptance of the offer.
- 3.2. The Award will have a tenure of one year.
- 3.3. The successful applicant will be advised of the offer of the Award via their MyWaikato portal and must accept the offer by the prescribed date or the offer will lapse.
- 3.4. In accepting the Award, the recipient will be deemed to have read, understood, and accepted the conditions of the Award and the [Scholarships Policy](#).

### 4. Application

- 4.1. The closing date for online applications is **31 October each year**.
- 4.2. As part of the online application process, each applicant must provide information on the following
  - a brief description of the nature of the research being conducted;
  - a brief description of the progress achieved to date;
  - details of the purpose for which the award is sought; and
  - financial hardship/special needs relevant to the conducted/proposed research
- 4.3. Each applicant must also request the submission of a completed Chief Supervisor Statement, endorsing the application regarding the intended use of the award, and certify that the applicant is not in receipt of significant funds from research contracts or other sources that would otherwise be expected to cover those costs. The Chief Supervisor will be contacted directly by the University to obtain the statement.

### 5. Selection Panel

- 5.1. The Selection Panel will comprise the Scholarships Committee representative from the Division of Health, Engineering, Computing and Science (in the Chair), the Academic Team Co-Leader of Earth and Environmental Sciences, and an academic staff member from the field of marine sciences (nominated by the Dean of Science).
- 5.2. The Selection Panel may refrain from making a recommendation if it finds no applicant of sufficient merit.
- 5.3. The Selection Panel's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into following the selection meeting.

### 6. Other Conditions

- 6.1. The award may be held together with any bursary, prize or student allowance, unless the conditions of the other award preclude this.
- 6.2. Should a recipient withdraw from the University as at the time of award the University may ask for the Scholarship to be repaid.
- 6.3. Recipients should seek independent financial advice about any tax implication of their scholarship.

- 6.4. The Scholarships Committee may terminate the award at any time and recoup any funds disbursed if the holder withdraws from the University, brings the Award, University or donor into disrepute<sup>1</sup>, or is otherwise not complying with the regulations governing the Award and/or the regulations of the University of Waikato. The holder of an award shall have the right to appeal to the Scholarships Executive against any decision to terminate the award.
- 6.5. By accepting an Award, the recipient agrees to participate in any publicity concerning the award arranged by the University of Waikato.
- 6.6. The Scholarships Committee has the power to amend or vary the regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Award.

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<sup>1</sup> See [Student Code of Conduct](#)