

## **FREYBERG SCHOLARSHIP**

### ***(New Zealand Defence Scholarships)***

Freyberg Scholarships are awarded for the purpose of encouraging graduate study into areas relevant to national security in the widest sense of that term. Study should be undertaken at a recognised institution in an Asia-Pacific country, including Canada and the United States. The scholarships are not available for study within New Zealand. Preference may be given however to applicants who have enrolled in the Graduate Studies Programme in Strategy and Defence at the Australian National University. Proposals for a course of studies at an overseas institution located elsewhere will be considered on their merits. It is intended that graduates will return to New Zealand, where it is hoped they will be better fitted to make a positive contribution towards debate and analysis of Defence issues in such fields as government service, tertiary education or journalism.

It is appropriate that the name of the late Lord Freyberg should be associated with the scholarships given his distinguished record in the New Zealand Armed Forces and his great contribution to New Zealand security.

#### *Number*

One or more scholarships may be awarded annually. NZ\$70,000 per annum will be available for the scholarships.

No scholarships shall be awarded if the Selection Board is of the opinion that there is no candidate for a scholarship who is of sufficient merit.

#### *Selection*

Selection shall be made by a Selection Board consisting of the Secretary of Defence, the Chief of Defence Force and the Director of the Centre for Strategic Studies, or their nominees.

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

#### *Term*

The tenure of a scholarship will be determined by the Selection Board but would normally be twelve months.

Every scholar shall enter upon the programme of study the year following application and selection. (The scholar must report to the course supervisor not later than one week before the commencement of lectures.)

### *Value and Payment*

Emoluments will be determined by the Selection Board. Payments will be made to each scholar in such manner and on such conditions as the Minister of Defence may from time to time determine. However, payments will normally be made six monthly in advance.

### *Eligibility*

The scholarships shall be open to persons who are New Zealand residents or permanent residents and who meet the following academic requirements. They should normally have obtained at least second class honours, division A, or equivalent in their qualifying degree and have completed academic studies in political science, history, economics or some other discipline that may be considered appropriate foundation for such study.

The Selection Board shall consider each application on its merits, including the institution at which the study is to be undertaken and in every case, final acceptance shall be subject to the approval of the appropriate Board of Studies in the relevant university.

### *Return to New Zealand*

Candidates for the scholarships must undertake in writing that if awarded a scholarship they will at the conclusion of their study under the scholarship return to New Zealand to take up residence in New Zealand for not less than two years. The Selection Board may, however, waive this requirement in any particular case or release scholarship holders from the undertaking given by them.

### *Personal Qualifications*

In awarding scholarships the Selection Board shall have regard not only to the educational attainment but also to the character and qualities of leadership of the candidates.

**NOTE:** Candidates are requested by the Board to send in as part of their applications: a statement of their school history (where relevant) and general activities; evidence of their personal character and capacity for leadership, and a statement detailing why they wish to undertake the proposed course of studies and what they wish to gain from it.

### *Full-time Study*

Scholars shall be required to devote their whole time during the tenure of the scholarship to their programme of studies and may not hold a position of employment, except on such terms and conditions as the Selection Board may from time to time allow.

### *Co-tenure*

A scholarship may be tenable with any other scholarship, fellowship or award with the permission of the Selection Board. In granting permission the Selection Board may impose such conditions as it thinks fit, whether as to reduction in the emolument of the scholarship or otherwise.

### *Reports and Theses*

Every scholar shall furnish to the Selection Board, through the Secretary of Defence, such reports (if any) as s/he may require. One copy of any thesis written is to be lodged with the Secretary of Defence, who will, in turn, provide a copy to the Chief of Defence Force.

### *Suspension or Termination*

Following consultation, the Selection Board may at any time suspend or terminate any scholarship emolument as may be determined, if the Board is satisfied that the scholar is not diligently pursuing the agreed programme of study or has failed to comply with any of the terms and conditions on which the scholarship was awarded; and a scholarship shall be terminated and no further payments shall be made if a scholar ceases to pursue the agreed programme.

### *Administrative Matters*

Scholars will be personally responsible for all costs associated with their time of study. This responsibility will include arranging and meeting the costs of travel to, from and in the country of study, accommodation and all personal expenses during the tenure of the scholarship. They are likewise responsible for obtaining their own passports, and meeting the charges and levies required by the university. They may, however, seek advice from New Zealand Defence Force officials in Wellington at any time. In Wellington, the contact office shall be the Section Head, Policy Planning, Ministry of Defence, Wellington.

### *Applications*

Candidates shall make initial application on the application forms available from the university Scholarships Office or from Universities New Zealand.

As detailed on the application form, candidates are to supply the names of four referees and are to enclose with their applications an outline of personal particulars. The latter should include an indication of future occupational intentions. They should also enclose the course outline from the relevant University Calendar.

Applications must reach the Scholarships Office of the candidate's university (or in other cases Universities New Zealand) not later than the first day of October in the year preceding the scholarship year. If the candidate is not currently at university in New Zealand then the correspondence should be addressed to Universities New Zealand, PO Box 11915, Wellington 6142.