

## **The Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust Awards in Fashion Design**

**Closing date: May each year**

### **BACKGROUND**

These awards are sponsored by Starchi Ltd and are to assist women enrolled in the third year of the Bachelor of Design programme, majoring in Fashion Design within the School of Art and Design at Auckland University of Technology (AUT).

### **PURPOSE**

The Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust trading as Academic Dress Hire is a non-profit organisation "Empowering through Education". Their vision is achieved through the provision of awards and financial and other assistance.

### **VALUE**

- A contribution of \$2,500 to support full-time study (no less than 120 points per annum)
- Up to two scholarships are available annually

### **TENURE**

- The scholarship is for one year only. Recipients of this scholarship are not eligible to apply for the scholarship again.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

- Applicants must be women with New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency.
- Enrolled full time in the third year of the Bachelor of Design, majoring in Fashion Design.
- The applicant's personal history, financial needs, academic achievement and career plans will be taken into account by the selection panel. Involvement in extra-curricular/co-curricular activities will be of interest to the panel.

### **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

- Application for this scholarship is on-line through the AUT scholarships portal.
- Evidence of enrolment in the third year of the Bachelor of Design (Fashion Design) in the School of Art and Design at AUT. (E.g. fees invoice).
- Applicants will be required to upload in a pdf file 4 to 5 sketches or photographs from their second-year portfolio of work.

Applicants will be asked to supply a statement covering the applicant's:

- need for financial assistance;
- aspirations for the future;
- any special circumstances (e.g. family responsibilities, personal disability) considered relevant.

Applicants must request one academic referee to provide a letter of support through the on-line scholarships application portal. Applicants are requested to ensure that their referee is aware of the scholarship deadline.

#### SELECTION PROCESS

In making these awards, the selection committee shall give consideration to:

- Applicant's academic record; (for the purpose of this award, academic merit will be assessed from the GPA obtained over the applicant's previous two years of graded study in the Bachelor of Design programme, majoring in Fashion Design at AUT).
- Referee's report.
- Applicant's need for financial assistance.
- Applicant's aspirations for the future.
- Any special circumstances considered relevant, e.g. family responsibilities, personal disability.
- Involvement in extra-curricular/co-curricular activities will be of interest to the panel.
- The decision of the selection panel is final.
- Confirmation of the award will not be made before late-May of the year of application.
- Applicants will be formally notified of the outcome of their application by the Scholarships Office.
- If the panel is of the opinion that there is no applicant of sufficient merit applying for the scholarship, then no award will be made and applications may be reopened.

#### CONDITIONS OF AWARD

- The award of this scholarship is conditional on the student being enrolled in the Bachelor of Design, majoring in Fashion Design at AUT.
- The Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust Award in Design/Fashion will be paid in one instalment on presentation of proof of enrolment as a full-time student in the third year of the Bachelor of Design, majoring in Fashion Design at AUT.
- This award may be held concurrently with an award of equal or higher value if the regulations for that award so permit.
- The successful applicant is required to complete her year of study and make a brief report to the Kate Edger Educational Charitable Trust at the end of this study.
- Failure to complete two full consecutive semesters will require refund of the full value of the award.
- The Scholarships Office on behalf of the University Scholarships Committee has the power to terminate or suspend a scholarship if it receives an unsatisfactory report on the academic progress of a recipient or if the recipient has failed to comply with any of the conditions on which the Scholarship was awarded.

#### ENQUIRIES

- Enquiries to: [awards@kateedgertrust.org](mailto:awards@kateedgertrust.org) or to: [scholars@aut.ac.nz](mailto:scholars@aut.ac.nz)

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