



**Breast Cancer
Foundation NZ**

***BREAST CANCER FOUNDATION
NEW ZEALAND
MAMMOGRAPHY SCHOLARSHIP***

2019 APPLICATION

**Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences in
Mammography ~ University of Auckland**



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Background

So as to foster the growth of the breast cancer medical workforce in NZ, Breast Cancer Foundation New Zealand (BCFNZ) launched a scholarship programme in 2004 for Postgraduate Medical Imaging Technologists (Mammography) and Undergraduate Radiation Therapists. The Foundation has continued to grow the scholarship programme so as to support Medical Imaging Technologists and Radiation Therapists academic and clinical training within the field of breast cancer in New Zealand.

Medical Radiation Technologists (Mammography) Scholarship Programme

For 2019, Breast Cancer Foundation New Zealand is offering individual scholarships for students commencing study towards and attaining a Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences in Mammography at the University of Auckland.

The funding available for a BCFNZ Scholarship recipient is \$3000 +GST. Any remaining course costs must be arranged by the individual or employer. The BCFNZ Scholarship will be composed of:

- An individual scholarship of \$3,000 +GST for a student commencing the Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences in Mammography at University of Auckland. The courses to be completed and passed are:
- MEDIMAGE 702 Professional Issues in Medical Imaging (15 Points)
- MEDIMAGE 707 Mammographic Imaging Technology (15 Points)
- CLINIMAG 708 Mammographic Clinical Practice (15 Points)
- 15 points from the Master of Health Sciences Schedule (15 Points)

2019 Scholarship Applications

Scholarship applicants are to complete the scholarship application form and return to:

Evangelia Henderson
Chief Executive
Breast Cancer Foundation NZ – 2019 Mammography Scholarship
11 York Street
Parnell
Auckland 1032

Email: adeleg@nzbcf.org.nz

Postgraduate Certificate in Health Science (Mammography)

The Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences in Mammography is offered by The University of Auckland. The University of Auckland is an internationally recognised and nationally approved Medical Imaging Technologist (MRT) undergraduate degree and postgraduate qualification provider, and requires students to successfully complete the following study:

Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences in Mammography

The Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences (PGCertHSc) in Mammography is designed for Medical Radiation Technologists (MRTs) seeking to provide high level expertise in breast imaging and potentially to contribute to national breast screening programmes. They will also be able to progress to further study in Medical Imaging.

The programme will be driven by the needs of clinical services and will aim to improve patient care and service as graduates of the programme implement their knowledge and expertise within breast imaging.

This specialisation is open to MRTs with an undergraduate degree in Medical Imaging (or an equivalent qualification) who are registered with the New Zealand Medical Radiation Technologists Board (MRTB). Students will need to be employed in an appropriate clinical role at a site approved by the University of Auckland in order to enrol in this programme of study. It is the responsibility of the student to obtain this position. A signed Clinical Training Position Agreement from your employer confirming that a sufficient number and range of examinations can be accessed is also required prior to admission.

Content

Students are required to enrol in, and complete the following courses:

- MEDIMAGE 702 Professional Issues in Medical Imaging (15 Points)
- MEDIMAGE 707 Mammographic Imaging Technology (15 Points)
- CLINIMAG 708 Mammographic Clinical Practice (15 Points)
- 15 points from the Master of Health Sciences Schedule (15 Points)

Summary of scholarship key points:

- Scholarships will be granted to a student undertaking the Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences Mammography at University of Auckland's Medical School, Auckland.
- Breast Cancer Foundation New Zealand (BCFNZ) will be offering the scholarship based on the 'Applicant's Supporting Statement' provided (see page 7); however, applicants will be given due consideration in the selection process if, for example, they are under financial hardship, Maori or Pacific Peoples, etc.
- The scholarship will have a total value of \$3000; any remaining course costs must be arranged by the individual or employer.
- If a student receives, or has applied for other financial assistance for this programme, details are to be provided on the scholarship application form.
- Each student is to include with their scholarship application a copy (s) of confirmation of their enrolment in University of Auckland courses MEDIMAGE 702 Professional Issues in Medical Imaging (15 Points), MEDIMAGE 707 Mammographic Imaging Technology (15 Points), CLINIMAG 708 Mammographic Clinical Practice (15 Points), and one 15 point paper from the

Master of Health Sciences Schedule (15 Points) and mail or email to Evangelia Henderson, Chief Executive at The Breast Cancer Foundation New Zealand.

- \$1500 will be paid to the student at the start of their first academic semester in 2019. The second instalment of \$1500 will be paid prior to the clinical placement:
 - After successful completion and passing of the academic course (results transcript to be sent to Evangelia Henderson, Chief Executive, BCFNZ)
 - Following confirmation of a mammography clinical placement, anywhere in NZ.
- Confirmation of a student's acceptance for a mammography clinical placement is to be mailed or emailed to Evangelia Henderson at BCFNZ by the student's mammography service's clinical supervisor (prior to commencement of course.)
 - The student is responsible for:
 - Finding and securing their own mammography clinical placement
 - Requesting their Clinical Supervisor send Evangelia Henderson confirmation of their acceptance of a clinical placement
- If the holder of the scholarship leaves the programme of study leading to the Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences in Mammography, before completing, or after completing and passing the academic course, or fails the course, then The BCFNZ will require reimbursement of the initial \$1500. Additionally, in the event a student does not complete the clinical course, or fails the course, The BCFNZ will require reimbursement of the second instalment of \$1500 paid.
- The scholarship recipient will agree to participate in public relations activities promoting the profile of The Foundation, for example, accepting a donation cheque on behalf of The Foundation at a school, church group, sports group, workplace, or at a 'Pink Breakfast' in May, etc. A speech of 3-5 minutes (which The Foundation would provide the recipient with) would be required; the number of invitations is anticipated not to be high.
- The recipient of the scholarship will inform The New Zealand Breast Cancer Foundation of their employer following gaining of their postgraduate qualification, PG Certificate in Health Sciences in Mammography, and the date/venue of their graduation.

Scholarship Selection Criteria

The following criteria will be considered in selecting the scholarship recipient:

The postgraduate student will:

- Be enrolled in the University of Auckland's Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences in Mammography
- Pledge to pursue and attain the Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences (Mammography)
- Be a NZ citizen or legal permanent resident
- Be registered with the NZ Medical Radiation Technologists Board (MRTB) and possess an Annual Practising Certificate (HPCA Act 2003)

- Demonstrate any prior mammography academic accomplishment by way of an institutional course transcript (s). Also, provide an institutional undergraduate medical imaging degree course transcript. Copies to be sent to Evangelia Henderson at The BCFNZ with the application form.
- Confirm a suitable clinical training placement for course, along with contact details of the Clinical Supervisor (when applicable - see page 7)
- Possess an appropriate professional demeanour
- Possess enthusiasm for working with women and medical multi-disciplinary group interests
- Show evidence of bicultural awareness
- Be responsible for any taxes or required declarations (IRD or other) associated with the granting of a scholarship

The selection committee withholds the right to identify additional factors which they deem appropriate or required as part of the selection process.

ENQUIRIES

Enquiries regarding The Foundation's 2019 Mammography Scholarship Programme can be directed to:

University of Auckland

Rhonda-Joy Sweeney
Lecturer
Medical Imaging
School of Medical Sciences
85 Park Road, Grafton
Auckland
New Zealand
Email: r.sweeney@auckland.ac.nz

OR

The New Zealand Breast Cancer Foundation

Evangelia Henderson
Chief Executive
New Zealand Breast Cancer Foundation
11 York Street
Parnell
Auckland 1032

Ph. 09 304 0968

Email: adeleg@nzbcf.org.nz

The Breast Cancer Foundation New Zealand 2019 Scholarship Application Form

Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences in Mammography
University of Auckland

Applicant's Name:.....

Address:

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Phone No:

Mobile No:**E-mail:**

I am currently:

A NZ MRTB Registered MRT

A postgraduate student enrolled in University of Auckland's Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences in Mammography

• In 2019, I will receive other financial assistance for this programme: Yes No

If yes, please provide details, including amount (s):

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• I have applied for other financial assistance for this programme which will have effect from 2019:

Yes No If yes, please provide details, including amount(s) and expected date of decision(s):

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Applicant's Supporting Statement:

Explain why you should be considered for The Breast Cancer Foundation New Zealand Scholarship (approximately 500 words). Please attach your explanation to this application form.

I _____ (Applicant's Full Name)

_____ (University of Auckland Student ID Number)

express my intent to enrol and successfully complete the University of Auckland's postgraduate mammography courses. I understand that should I fail to successfully complete the Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences in Mammography, I will be required to reimburse the relevant scholarship instalments to The Breast Cancer Foundation New Zealand.

Additionally, I agree to participate in public relations activities promoting The Breast Cancer Foundation New Zealand's Mammography Scholarship Programme, as well as The Foundation's vision of zero deaths from breast cancer, to be achieved by pushing for new frontiers in early detection, treatment and support.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

CLINICAL SUPERVISOR's CONTACT DETAILS

NAME _____
TITLE _____
POSTAL ADDRESS _____ _____
Phone Number: _____
Email Address: _____