The Kerby Bursary for Graduate Music Studies was established in 1997 as the result of a $10,000 gift to the University of Waikato by the late Melva Elsie Kerby. The Scholarship is intended to assist students of Music to continue their musical studies at the University of Waikato. The Scholarship is offered in alternate years that are even-numbered.

1. Eligibility
   1.1. To be eligible, applicants must:
      1.1.1. be enrolled full-time in a BMus(Hons), MMus, BA(Hons) in Music, or an MA in Music at the University of Waikato in the year of tenure; and
      1.1.2. have completed an undergraduate degree in Music at a New Zealand University; and
      1.1.3. be a NZ citizen or permanent resident.

2. Value and Tenure
   2.1. An award of **up to $500** will be paid directly to the recipient following confirmation of their enrolment in the correct course of study.
   2.2. The award will have a tenure of one year and must be taken up in the year for which it is offered. Deferrals are not permitted.
   2.3. A recipient of the award may apply for the Scholarship again, but no recipient will be permitted to hold the Bursary for more than three years in total.

3. Application
   3.1. For 2019 the closing date for applications is **1 December 2018**.
   3.2. Applicants should upload the following to their online application:
      3.2.1. The prescribed Personal Statement for which includes the following subheadings:
         - My musical goals and aspirations for the future; and
         - Ways in which I will provide mentoring/modelling as a senior student in the Music Programme.
      3.2.2. A brief CV (maximum three A4 pages)
      3.2.3. Verified copies of academic transcripts from any other tertiary institution(s) that the applicant has attended, if applicable:
4. **Selection Panel**
4.1. The Selection Panel will comprise the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Representative on the Scholarships Committee (as chairperson) and the Convenor of the Music Programme.
4.2. The Selection Panel may refrain from making a recommendation if it finds no candidate of sufficient merit.
4.3. The Selection Panel’s decision will be final; no other correspondence will be entered into following the selection meeting.

5. **Selection Criteria**
5.1. The Scholarship will be offered based on meritorious achievement and excellence in Music.

6. **Awarding**
6.1. The offer of an Award must be accepted by the date indicated in the letter of offer or the offer will lapse.

7. **Other Conditions**
7.1. The Award may be held along with any bursary, prize, or student allowance, unless the conditions of any other awards precludes this tenure.
7.2. The Scholarships Committee may terminate the Award at any time, and recoup any funds disbursed, if the holder withdraws from the University of Waikato, brings the Scholarship, the University into disrepute¹, or is otherwise not complying with the conditions governing the Scholarship and/or the regulations of the University of Waikato. The holder of a Scholarship shall have the right to appeal to the Scholarships Executive against any decision to terminate the Scholarship.
7.3. In signing and returning the Scholarship acceptance form, the student will be deemed to have read, understood, and accepted the conditions for the award and retention of the scholarship.
7.4. By accepting a Scholarship, the recipient agrees to participate in any publicity concerning the Award arranged by the University of Waikato.

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¹ See [Student Code of Conduct](#).

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