

The Rewi Alley Scholarship in Chinese Studies was established by the Rewi Alley National Committee to mark the occasion of Rewi Alley's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday, and in recognition of his humanitarian and literary work in China over more than 50 years.

## 1. Purpose

- 1.1. The purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage study and research on China, preferably at a New Zealand university.

## 2. Eligibility

- 2.1. To be eligible for consideration, candidates must:
  - a) be enrolled/enrolling at a New Zealand university;
  - b) be intending to study any aspect of life in China; and
  - c) be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident.

## 3. Value

- 3.1. The Scholarship shall have a value of up to \$1,000 and will be paid directly to the student as a lump sum cash payment.

## 4. Application

- 4.1. The closing date for applications is **31 October 2020**.
- 4.2. The Scholarship, normally offered every second year, will be awarded in the year following application, e.g. 2021, 2023.
- 4.3. As part of the online application process, each candidate must:
  - a) Complete and upload the prescribed Personal Statement form that includes (but is not limited to) the following subheadings:
    - Future aims – for study and career
    - Relevance of intended studies to life in China
    - Intended uses for funding – if successful
  - b) Upload proof of New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency;
  - c) Request the submission of two written academic references; and
  - d) Upload verified copies of academic transcripts (including the grading scale(s)) from any tertiary institution(s) attended, except the University of Waikato.

## 5. Selection Criteria

- 5.1. When assessing applications, the Panel may take into consideration any/all of the following:
  - Academic merit;
  - Study and career aims;
  - Relevance of intended studies to life in China.

## **6. Selection**

- 6.1. The award of the Scholarship shall be made by the Scholarships Committee of the University of Waikato on the recommendation of a Selection Panel established for the purpose by the New Zealand Asian Studies Society.
- 6.2. The Selection Panel may refrain from making a recommendation if it finds no candidate of sufficient merit.
- 6.3. The Selection Panel's decisions are final; no correspondence will be entered into following the selection meeting.

## **7. Awarding**

- 7.1. The offer of a scholarship must be accepted by the date indicated in the letter of offer. If any candidate declines a Scholarship, or does not take it up, the offer shall lapse.
- 7.2. The Scholarship is tenable at a university or other institution in New Zealand approved for the purpose, or, with the consent of the Selection Panel, without formal enrolment at any institution. Where appropriate facilities are not available in New Zealand, the Scholarship may be offered towards study undertaken abroad.
- 7.3. The scholarship has a maximum tenure of one year and must be taken up in the year for which it is offered.

## **8. Other Conditions**

- 8.1. The Scholarship may be held together with any scholarship, award or prize unless the conditions of the award preclude this.
- 8.2. The Scholarships Committee may terminate this Scholarship at any time, and recoup any funds disbursed, if the holder withdraws from their enrolment at a New Zealand University, brings the Scholarship or their university into disrepute, or is otherwise not complying with the conditions governing the Scholarship and/or the regulations of their New Zealand university. The holder of a Scholarship shall have the right to appeal to the Scholarships Executive against any decision to terminate the Scholarship.
- 8.3. By accepting the Scholarship, the recipient agrees to participate in any publicity concerning the Scholarship arranged by the New Zealand Asian Studies Society and/or their New Zealand university. The recipient may be asked to attend a presentation ceremony.