



## **SIR ROBERT JONES SCHOLARSHIPS**



Sir Robert Jones has established a scholarship fund to assist young women from refugee backgrounds to complete a university degree or tertiary qualification from an approved tertiary institution. This philanthropic gift presents an opportunity for young women from refugee backgrounds who aspire to a tertiary qualification, but who are denied the opportunity because of their family circumstances.

Tuition fees will be paid in full through to degree attainment, subject to satisfactory examination results. Hostel accommodation will be paid for two years of study if the student attends a tertiary institution outside their home town.

### **Selection Criteria**

- Young women from refugee backgrounds
- Aged 18 - 25 years
- Currently enrolled in a foundation course or a university level degree
  
- A strong academic record over the last 3 years
- Financial and/or personal hardship. (Proof of economic circumstances may be required).

### **Application and Selection Process**

- Applications are now open for the 2020 academic year
- Applications must be received by August 12, 2019
- Applicants will be shortlisted and interviewed by a panel made up of academics, and representatives from RJH Holdings and Refugees As Survivors NZ (RASNZ)
- Interviews will be held in Auckland and Wellington in October 2019
- Referees will be contacted as required
- Evidence of progress in an approved tertiary course of study will be required prior to the scholarship being granted

### **Guidelines**

- RASNZ facilitates and administers the application and selection process in collaboration with RJH Holdings
  
- The scholarship must be taken up in the year for which it is awarded. Any deferment will be at the discretion of the selection committee in conjunction with the tertiary institution of choice
- The scholarship is for fulltime study only



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- Annual renewal of the scholarship is dependent on the student maintaining a high academic standard and progressing towards completion within the degree timeframe.
- The scholarship may not be deferred or suspended during the tenure, except under exceptional circumstances
- Travel expenses for attending the interview will be paid if you have to travel from out of town

### **Submitting an Application**

The application form can be down loaded from the RASNZ website [www.rasnz.co.nz](http://www.rasnz.co.nz)

You must include the following documents

- Your application form
- An official record indicating your most recent University results
- Your academic record from Year 13 at school to the present
- A letter which informs us about your family background and personal story; why you are applying for this scholarship and what you hope to do in the future
- Contact details for two referees - one who can provide an academic reference and the other a character reference

Please forward the above information to

Scholarship applications

RASNZ PO Box 22-315 Otahuhu, Auckland 1640

If you have any queries please phone Susan Hirst at RASNZ on 0274970619 or email [scholarships@rasnz.co.nz](mailto:scholarships@rasnz.co.nz)

**Deadline for applications: 12 August 2019**