**The Women in Science Award in Memory of Sylvia Tredwell**

**Sponsored by her family**

**PURPOSE**

This award in memory of Sylvia Tredwell was made possible by a generous donation from her family, who wish to pay tribute to her determination in pursuing her career despite the barriers she faced, and to support other women to pursue the qualifications and career of their choice. The Award is intended to help support a woman aged 25 and above in her second year or above of an undergraduate or postgraduate science-related degree at a tertiary institute in the Auckland or Northland regions. The funding may be used for fees or living costs.

**CLOSING DATE: 14 April 2026**

**REGULATIONS**

1. One Award of $2,000 will be available for offer.
2. Applicants for the Women in Science Award in memory of Sylvia Tredwell must be:
	1. women;
	2. New Zealand Citizens or **Permanent** Residents;
	3. aged 25 and above;
	4. enrolled full time in the second year or above of an undergraduate or a postgraduate science-related degree at an institute in the Auckland or Northland regions.
3. In making this award, the selection committee may give consideration to:
	1. the applicant’s personal statement (of no more than 500 words) explaining why she has chosen her area of study and her future goals, including reference to how she can support women in science in the future;
	2. the applicant’s academic record; (for the purpose of this award, academic merit will be assessed from the GPA or GPE obtained over the applicant’s most recent year of graded study (or equivalent);
	3. the applicant’s referee’s report;
	4. the applicant’s need for financial assistance;
	5. any special circumstances, e.g. family responsibilities, leadership potential, considered relevant.
4. Each applicant for these awards must submit her application **on the current prescribed application form**, together with:
5. a certified copy or statutory declaration of her academic record (this can be in the form of a certified digital document from the tertiary institution);
6. a certified copy of evidence of status as a New Zealand Citizen or **Permanent** Resident;
7. confirmation that a confidential report has been sought from one referee.

**“Certified copy” means a copy of the original, certified as true by an appropriate authority (for example, University Registrar, Head of Department or Study Supervisor, or Justice of the Peace). A**

 **“Statutory declaration” must be made before a Justice of the Peace or Solicitor on the appropriate form.**

1. This award may be held concurrently with an award of any value if the regulations for that award so permit.
2. The Women in Science Award in Memory of Sylvia Tredwell shall be paid in one instalment directly to the successful applicant on presentation of a fees invoice showing enrolment as a full-time student.
3. The successful applicant is required to complete her year of study and make a brief report at the end of this study. Failure to complete two full consecutive semesters may require refund of the full value of the award.

\*This scholarship is intended for students studying full-time towards a qualification. The Trustees understand that personal circumstances such as health conditions or impairments can limit a person’s ability to study full-time. Applications from students studying part-time due to disability will be therefore considered, but the applicant must include documentation supporting their reason for studying part-time. Examples of supporting documents include a letter of support from a disability service provider, the Students with Disabilities office, or your general practitioner. Students studying part-time due to disability who are successful in their application will be paid a pro-rata amount. For the purposes of this Award, a disability refers to both visible and invisible impairments including: blind and low vision, deaf and hearing impaired, head injury, ongoing medical conditions, diagnosed mental health conditions, physical/mobility impairments, speech impairments, Autism Spectrum Disorder, specific learning disabilities (e.g. dyslexia, dyspraxia, dyscalculia).

Please send the completed application form, certified copies of your official academic record or downloaded unofficial transcripts accompanied by a statutory declaration, and evidence of New Zealand Citizenship or Permanent Residency, by:

* Email attachment to awards@kateedgerfoundation.org.nz

All applicants will receive an email confirmation that the application has been received. If you do not receive an email, please contact the Awards Coordinator at awards@kateedgerfoundation.org.nz

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Application Form

All information provided is confidential

1. PERSONAL DETAILS

Name: Click here to enter text.

Student ID number: Click here to enter text.

Mobile: Click here to enter text.

Personal Email: Click here to enter text.

University Email: Click here to enter text.

Address: Click here to enter text.

Date of Birth: Click here to enter text.

Ethnicity: Click here to enter text.

Are you a full-time student? Choose an item.

Where are you studying? Click here to enter text.

What year of study are you in? Click here to enter text.

Are you a New Zealand citizen? Choose an item.

Are you a Permanent Resident of New Zealand? Choose an item.

How did you hear about this award: Choose an item.

**Please supply a certified copy of evidence of your citizenship status: a birth certificate, citizenship certificate or relevant passport pages (e.g. if you are a Permanent Resident, you must supply a copy of your Permanent Resident Visa). If you are offered an award, you will be required to prove that you are enrolled as a full-time student for the duration of the award.**

1. ACADEMIC GOALS

What degree are you enrolled in? Click here to enter the name of your qualification.

What is your major? Click here to enter your major(s)

What is your expected date of completion of this degree? Click here to enter a date.

Please provide details about any other scholarships, bursaries, or awards you currently hold, including paid study leave. Click here to list/outline other awards you have been given.

**Please attach a certified copy of your up-to-date official transcript.**

1. FINANCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

What sources of income/funding do you have or hope to have to assist you in funding your studies?(e.g. income support, student allowance, student loan, partner, paid employment, other awards or scholarships etc.)

Click here and write up to 300 words.

Please note any special circumstances (family, personal, or financial) that could be considered as part of your application. These could include number and ages of children, parenting status, health/disability status, your debt situation:

Click here and write up to 300 words.

1. PERSONAL STATEMENT

Briefly explain why you have chosen to do this degree as your course of study and your future goals. Please include discussion of what the Women in Science Award means to you and how you think you may be able to support the place of women in science in the future:

Click here and write up to 500 words.

Please note any other skills, interests, work experience (including volunteer roles), that could be considered as part of your application:

Click here and write up to 300 words.

1. REFERENCE

You need to ask one member of academic staff to provide a confidential email reference using the form on the next page. Enter the details of the academic staff member here:

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| NameClick here to enter text. | Email addressClick here to enter text. |

FINAL CHECK

Please check each statement to confirm you have met all requirements:

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| I have read the purpose and regulations of the award |[ ]
| I am a full-time student |[ ]
| I have given full details in every section |[ ]
| I have enclosed all the supporting documents required, including proof of Permanent Residency or citizenship and academic results |[ ]
| I have asked one referee to email a confidential report |[ ]

(N.B. A Statutory Declaration is available at the end of this application form.)

**The Selection Panel will NOT consider applications that do not contain the required information.**

Please keep a copy of your application.

Your signature: Date: Click here to enter a date.

Please send this completed application form, certified copies of your official academic record or downloaded unofficial transcripts accompanied by a statutory declaration, and evidence of New Zealand Citizenship or Permanent Residency, by:

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Reference

The purpose of the Women in Science Award in memory of Sylvia Tredwell is to assist a female student aged 25 and above, studying towards an undergraduate or postgraduate science-related degree at a tertiary institute in the Auckland or Northland regions. All information supplied is confidential to those involved in the selection procedures.

Please complete the following form and e-mail to awards@kateedgerfoundation.org.nz using the subject line ‘Women in Science Award’.

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| **Applicant** | **Referee** |
| Name: Click here to enter applicant’s name. | Name: Click here to enter referee’s name. |
|  | Institute: Type name of tertiary institute. |
|  | Department: Click here to enter department. |
|  | Position: Click here to enter job position. |

As you have had an opportunity to form a view of the applicant’s work, study and progress, we invite you to comment on the applicant’s commitment to her work, future a and any other relevant comments:

Click here to enter text.

How long have you known the applicant?

Click here to enter text.

In what capacity do you know the applicant?

Click here to enter text.

Signed: Date: Click here to enter a date.

STATUTORY DECLARATION

For downloaded documents

**I**

Click here to enter your full legal name

**of**

Click here to enter your residential address.

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Your signature:

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