There are three Ethel Benjamin Scholarship winners in 2014. The recipients of this year’s New Zealand Law Foundation award are Zoe Fuhr, Elizabeth Chan and Lani Inverarity.

Zoe Fuhr graduated from Auckland University with an LLB (Hons) and a BA in Political Science and English.

In 2010 and 2011 she was a judge’s clerk in Auckland, to Judge Abbot, Justices Harrison, Cooper, Woolford, Allan and Winkelmann. In 2012 and 2013 she was a litigation associate at Gilbert Walker in Auckland.

Zoe Fuhr plans to study towards an LLM at New York University. Her thesis will be *Guilt in the 21st Century: Rethinking criminal culpability*. She says she wants to explore critically the concept of criminal culpability and whether it relies on an outdated etiology of criminal behaviour. Her goal is to produce research which has practical value in addressing issues of recidivism and incarceration.

Zoe hopes to use her study and research to equip her to make a significant, creative contribution to criminal law scholarship and reform in New Zealand.

Information about Lani Inverarity and Elizabeth Chan, the other 2014 winners of this scholarship, is available on the [Law Foundation’s web site](http://www.lawfoundation.org.nz/)

The Ethel Benjamin scholarship honours New Zealand’s first woman barrister and solicitor, who was admitted to the bar in 1897. Since the centenary of this event, the Law Foundation has awarded this scholarship annually to outstanding New Zealand women law graduates for post-graduate study. The award is worth up to $50,000 and details of the award and previous winners can be found on the [Ethel Benjamin Scholarship page](http://www.lawfoundation.org.nz/ethel-benjamin/) of the Foundation’s website.