



University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship: FAQs

How do I apply?

There's no need to complete a separate application form for a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship.

You must be a domestic postgraduate student, applying for a masters degree, honours degree or postgraduate diploma, to be considered.

When you apply for a place, the University will calculate the grade point average or equivalent (GPA/E) obtained in your most recent university qualifying programme.

The University will process your application in the usual way. If you receive an offer of place and your GPA/E indicates that you already have or will obtain a score of 7.5 or above, we will get in contact with you to see if you wish to be considered for the University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship.

If you do, you will be asked to provide some background information and details about your intended study. Once that information, together with your final grades, has been received, we will confirm whether or not you will receive the scholarship.

What are the requirements to be guaranteed a University of Auckland Pacific Postgraduate Scholarship?

New Zealand Māori students, whose most recent qualifying programme was undertaken at a New Zealand university, will be eligible for a scholarship if their grade point average (GPA) is 7.5 or above. This is the guaranteed scholarship score.

For New Zealand Māori students, whose most recent qualifying programme was undertaken at a recognised university overseas, we will convert your final grades into a University of Auckland equivalent (GPE). If your GPE is 7.5 or above, you will be eligible for a scholarship. This is the guaranteed scholarship score.

What is a qualifying programme?

A qualifying programme is the most recently completed programme of study that qualifies you for entry to the programme for which you are applying.

How will I be assessed for a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship?

All students will be assessed based on the Grade Point Average (GPA) of their most recent qualifying programme.

If your qualifying programme is from a recognised overseas university, we will convert your final grades into a University of Auckland equivalent.

If your qualifying programme is a conjoint degree, we will use the grades you obtained from ALL your courses to calculate your grade point average (GPA) or equivalent.

I am on track for a grade point average (GPA) of 7.5, but have yet to get my final marks through. What happens if I drop below a GPA of 7.5?

If you don't achieve a GPA of 7.5 in your qualifying programme, you won't be awarded a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship.

Can Cook Island Māori students be awarded a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship?

No. The University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarships are only awarded to New Zealand Māori students.

Are part-time students eligible for University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarships?

Recipients of a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship would normally be enrolled full time. But in certain situations part-time enrolment is permitted, in which case the value of the award is prorated. However, you won't be permitted to hold the scholarship on a part-time basis if you wish to undertake full-time employment or substantial part-time employment.

I was previously awarded a University of Auckland Masters/Honours/PgDip Scholarship. Can I now be considered for a University of Auckland Pacific Postgraduate Scholarship?

If you are progressing from a postgraduate diploma or an honours degree on to a masters degree, you can be considered for a University of Auckland Pacific Postgraduate Scholarship, even if you have previously been awarded a University of Auckland Masters/Honours/PgDip scholarship.

I was previously awarded a University of Auckland Māori and Pacific Graduate Scholarship. Can I now be considered for a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship?

If you are progressing from a postgraduate diploma or an honours degree on to a masters degree, you can be considered for a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship, even if you have previously been awarded a University of Auckland Māori and Pacific Graduate scholarship.

If I am awarded a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship, could I receive it again if I was to continue my studies?

If you are progressing from a postgraduate diploma or an honours degree on to a masters degree, you can be considered for a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship for a second time, provided you meet the stated academic criteria for admission and the scholarship.

Is the programme I will be studying covered under the University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship?

If you are enrolling in a masters degree, honours degree or postgraduate diploma, those are all eligible for funding through a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship. Postgraduate certificates and graduate diplomas are not eligible.

For more information about honours degrees and postgraduate diplomas, please refer to the [University Calendar](#).

What if I don't meet the grade point average (GPA) requirements for a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship?

In addition to University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarships, students enrolled in or intending to enrol in postgraduate study at the University of Auckland are encouraged to apply for other scholarships offered by both the University and generous donors and organisations. You can find a list of these on the [Scholarships website](#).

You can also talk to your faculty to find out about suitable funding. Some faculties have their own sources of funding (like grants), so check with your faculty if there is any funding that you might be eligible for.

There may also be suitable scholarships available on the [givMe](#) database on the *generosity New Zealand* website.

When will I be notified if I have been awarded a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship?

If you receive an offer of place in an honours degree or postgraduate diploma programme, and your grade point average (GPA) indicates that you already have or will obtain a score of 7.5 or above, we will get in contact with you to see if you wish to be considered for the University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship.

If you do wish to be considered for a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship, you will be asked to provide us with some background information and more details about your intended study. Once you have provided that, we will be able to update you on the status of the scholarship. When your final grades are available, we will confirm whether or not you will receive the scholarship.

How do I accept the offer of a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship?

When you are emailed your offer of a scholarship, you will be directed to an online form that you need to complete in order to accept the scholarship offer.

You need to do this within two weeks of the date of the email containing your scholarship offer.

I have been offered a University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship. When do I need to start my study?

You will need to start your programme at the next available semester start date for the scholarship to be awarded.

How much is the University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship worth?

The University of Auckland Māori Postgraduate Scholarship provides a tax-free stipend of up to \$13,000 a year, for the duration of your programme.

In addition, the University will cover your tuition and student services fees in full.

Can't find the answer to your question?

Visit [AskAuckland](#) or email the Scholarships Office: scholarships@auckland.ac.nz

