

360 International Exchange Award

Code:	568
Faculty:	All
Applicable study:	Students accepted into the 360 International exchange programme
Closing date:	By nomination
Tenure:	Up to one year
For:	Assistance with costs associated with overseas study on an approved exchange programme
Number on offer:	Varies
Offer rate:	Annually
Value:	\$800-\$2,500 each

Description

The main purpose of the Award is to assist Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland students with the costs of studying overseas while on an approved student exchange.

Students will be assessed for the Award when their application for the 360 International exchange programme is approved. To be eligible for this Award, the student must meet all requirements of the 360 International exchange programme.

Selection process

- Nomination is made to the Scholarships Office
- The Award is made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

Regulations

1. The Award shall be known as the 360 International Exchange Award.
2. Awards will be of the value of between \$800 and \$2,500 each, dependent on the location of the exchange. Students on exchange in Europe and Africa (excluding London based universities) may be awarded up to \$2,500, students going to Asia or Latin America may be awarded up to \$1,800, and students going to Australia may be awarded up to \$800. Students going to universities in the USA, Canada or London are not eligible for these awards (see Note II).
3. To be eligible for Award consideration, candidates must have i) a confirmed offer as an exchange student by an approved exchange partner, ii) completed at least one year of full-time study (or equivalent) in an undergraduate or postgraduate programme at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland by the commencement of the semester of exchange, and iii) achieved the academic requirements of the 360 International exchange programme. A cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of at least 5.00 is required for Award consideration (see Note II).
4. Awardees may only hold this award once.
5. Students who have previously been on a 360 International semester exchange are not eligible for consideration for an Award.

6. The basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the candidate's CGPA. The exchange destination may be considered by the Selection Committee to align with the University's strategic aims.
7. Awards will be made to candidates with the highest CGPA until all funds have been allocated.
8. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising: the Deputy Director, International Operations (or nominee); and two academic members of International Committee, nominated by the Chair of International Committee.
9. The Award will be paid in one instalment.
10. To be paid the Award, an awardee must have i) received a nomination offer from the 360 International Office for an approved exchange partner, and ii) confirmation of acceptance from the partner university (see Notes III and IV).
11. The offer of the Award must be accepted within the time specified within the offer letter. If the awardee does not accept the offer within the specified time, the offer will be forfeited and the Selection Committee may offer the Award to another person.
12. Awardees shall, upon their return, present a brief written report (400–600 words) on their experiences as exchange students to the 360 International Office.
13. The Award may be held concurrently with any other scholarship, award or grant as long as the regulations for that scholarship, award or grant permit and the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves. It is the responsibility of the awardee to declare to the Scholarships Office all other scholarships, awards or grant funding received and for which the awardee receives payment while also in payment for this Award.
14. Payments under the terms of this Award remain tax-free as long as they are used directly for costs associated with an awardee's programme of study and/or to assist the awardee with living costs while studying (see Note I). Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Award.
15. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there are no candidates that meet the criteria and/or no candidates of sufficient merit.
16. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Award.
17. Notes [I]-[V] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

- I. *The tax-free status of this Award is under current legislation. The University of Auckland cannot guarantee this tax-free outcome.*
- II. *Refer to the 360 International exchange programme website for details of how to apply and eligibility for exchange. A minimum cumulative GPA of 5.00, inclusive of current and past enrolment, is required for consideration for the exchange programme. Successful candidates will need to achieve a term GPA of 5.00 in the semester before the exchange.*
- III. *In the event that the awardee decides to withdraw from the exchange programme at any point after receiving the Award payment, the full amount of the Award must be repaid. In the event that the awardee is unable to travel overseas, and the exchange is completed online from New Zealand, the full amount of the Award, less any unrecoverable costs not covered by travel insurance, must be repaid.*
- IV. *Awardees must register their travel plans with 360 International prior to departure from New Zealand in accordance with the Guidelines for students travelling overseas (refer to <https://www.auckland.ac.nz/en/students/forms-policies-and-guidelines/student-policies-and-guidelines/student-travel-guidelines.html>).*
- V. *Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Award and must notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland may, in the event that an awardee is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Award and require repayment of the funds received.*