Freemasons University and Postgraduate Scholarships

Scholarship description

The Freemasons Scholarships are provided annually by Freemasons New Zealand and are administered by The Freemasons Charity. The Freemasons Scholarships are to assist able students who are active in their involvement in the community, to complete their university education in their chosen field.

This year eight Postgraduate Scholarships of $10,000 each and 20 University Scholarships of $6,000 each will be offered to students attending universities at: Auckland, AUT, Waikato, Massey, Victoria, Canterbury, Lincoln, and Otago.

Successful scholars are expected to use their scholarship to defray expenses related to their attendance at University.

Selection process

- A Selection Committee is appointed in each university district.
- The Committee invites short-listed candidates for an interview in February or March. If selected you must attend.
- The Committee will have regard not only to the academic ability of the candidates and to referees’ reports, but also to their character and citizenship, and will look for evidence of involvement in the cultural and/or sporting life of the community or campus.

Regulations

1. Applicants for the scholarships must: have a good academic record, be a New Zealand citizen or hold a Permanent New Zealand residency, demonstrate good citizenship, show leadership potential and have proven community involvement.
2. Applicants are required to contact their referees requesting them to send their reports direct to the Scholarship Officer at the university at which they are enrolled.
3. Copies of documents certified by a Justice of the Peace, Notary Public or a University Scholarships Officer should be sent in support of the application.
4. No original certificates or curriculum vitae will be returned.
5. If you have any queries regarding your eligibility or method of application, contact the appropriate Scholarship Officer at your University.
6. Applicants are obliged to inform the Scholarship Officer of any change of address during the selection process.
7. Applicants must advise of any intention to switch universities as soon as possible.
8. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 1 October in the year of the award.

Notes

I. Freemasons reserve the right to use the names, photographs and details of successful scholars for promotional purposes.
II. In addition, all scholars will be required to attend an award presentation in May.
III. The names and contact details of successful scholars will be added to an alumni database. Successful scholars will be asked to inform the Freemasons of subsequent changes to their contact details.
IV. The decision of the Committee shall be final. If, in the opinion of the Committee, no candidate satisfies the criteria for an award in any year, then no award shall be offered that year. In relation to the final decision made by the Committee, no correspondence will be entered into.