Kick Start Affirmative Action Scholarships

**Scholarship description**

The Scholarships are funded by the Faculty of Engineering.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to assist Māori and Pacific Island students with set up costs for their first year in the Faculty of Engineering.

**Selection process**

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- Short-listed applicants may be required to attend an interview
- The Scholarships are awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

**Regulations**

1. The Scholarships will be known as the Kick Start Affirmative Action Scholarships.
2. Up to four Scholarships will be awarded annually, each for a period of one year, and will be of the value of up to $2,000 each.
3. To take up and be paid the Scholarship the candidate must be enrolled and have paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for full-time enrolment in a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) at the University of Auckland.
4. The Scholarships are tenable by students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand and who are of Māori or Pacific descent.
5. The basis of selection will be academic merit and the applicant's personality and drive demonstrated in their personal statement and interview (if required) (see Note i).
6. The Scholarships will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a selection committee comprising the Associate Dean (Undergraduate) (or nominee), the Associate Dean (Students) (or nominee) and the Student Development and Engagement Manager (or nominee) from the Faculty of Engineering.
7. The Scholarship will be paid in one instalment in the first semester.
8. The Scholarship may be held concurrently with any other award or grant as long as a) the terms of that award or grant permit and b) the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves.

9. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if in any year there is no candidate of sufficient merit.

10. The University of Auckland Council has the power to amend or vary these Regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

11. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 15 January in the year of the award.

12. Note [i] below is deemed to be a regulation.

**Notes**

1. For the purpose of this Scholarship, academic merit will be based on results at Level 2 or higher in the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) or an equivalent qualification.