Mark Ford Ngā Tapuwae Scholarship for Māori Students

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2015 and is funded by Watercare Services Ltd.

The late Mark Ford was Chief Executive of Watercare from 1994 to 2009 and again from 2010 to 2014. This scholarship was established to acknowledge his outstanding service to Watercare and the water industry.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage and support a student of Māori descent undertaking study in Engineering at the University of Auckland.

**Selection process**

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

**Regulations**

1. The Scholarship shall be known as the Mark Ford Ngā Tapuwae Scholarship for Māori Students.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually and will be to the value of $5,000 per annum.
3. The Scholarship will be awarded to a student who has enrolled and paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for full-time study in Part III or IV of a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) majoring in Civil and Environmental Engineering. Conjoint students are not eligible to apply for this Scholarship.
4. The Scholarship is tenable by a student who is a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand and is of Māori descent.
5. In making a recommendation for this Scholarship the Selection Committee will take into account the following factors: academic merit (see Note I), technical ability and professional skills, character and leadership potential, contribution
to the University and/or community activities and potential to contribute to the Engineering industry.

6. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering (or nominee), Associate Dean Undergraduate of the Faculty of Engineering (or nominee) and one representative of Watercare.

7. The Scholarship will be paid in one lump sum in Semester Two.

8. The Scholarship may not be held with any other Scholarship that offers a summer internship opportunity. It 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, in consultation with the Donor, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

11. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 31 August in the year of the award.

12. Notes [I]-[III] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

I. For the purpose of this Scholarship, academic merit is assessed as a Scholarships GPA or GPE obtained over the applicant’s most recent two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent).

II. The scholarship recipient may be offered paid work at Watercare during the summer vacation at Watercare’s discretion. Watercare will ensure that the summer vacation work complies with the sub-professional practical work requirements of the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) degree.

III. In making a recommendation for this scholarship the selection committee shall take into account other scholarships, bursaries and awards held by the candidates, with a view to achieving a fair distribution of monies among qualifying candidates.