University of Auckland Bioengineering Masters Scholarship for Māori and Pacific Students

Description

The Scholarship was established in 2017 and is funded by the Auckland Bioengineering Institute.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage and support Māori and Pacific students to undertake a research masters degree in the Auckland Bioengineering Institute.

Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- 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 University of Auckland Bioengineering Masters Scholarship for Māori and Pacific Students.
2. One or more Scholarships may be awarded biannually for a period of up to one year of full-time study (or equivalent), and will comprise a stipend of up to $13,500 in 2021, paid in fortnightly instalments, plus compulsory fees. Payments and tenure will be pro-rated for part-time students.
3. To take up and be paid the Scholarship, the recipient must be enrolled full-time or part-time in a Master of Engineering in Bioengineering (BIOENG 796).
4. The Scholarship is tenable by Māori and Pacific students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand (see Note II).
5. Selection will be based on academic merit as assessed by the grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) calculated over the most recent qualifying programme, the nature and quality of the research proposal and alignment of the proposed research with the strategic objectives of the Auckland Bioengineering Institute. Matters that may be considered in relation to academic merit include, but are not limited to, academic record, CV, research...
I. Compulsory fees are only those related to the relevant programme of study, plus Student Services Fee.

II. Pacific students are defined as citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand who are of indigenous Pacific descent from any of the following islands: Samoa, American Samoa, Tonga, Cook Islands, Niue, Tokelau, Fiji, Rotuma, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Kiribati, Tuvalu, Palau, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Wallis and Futuna, Hawaii, French Polynesia, Rapanui (Easter Island).

III. The most recent qualifying programme is defined as the most recently completed programme of study that qualifies the applicant for entry to the postgraduate programme for which they are applying. Where the most recently completed programme is a conjoint programme the GPA/GPE will be calculated over the entirety of the conjoint programme. The maximum approved exchange or transfer credit that can be excluded from the GPA/GPE calculation for the qualifying programme is 60 points. Where the most recently completed programme is a Transitional Certificate, the qualifying programme is the Transitional Certificate and the most recently completed prior degree.
IV. Students who hold the scholarship on a part-time basis are subject to the same employment restrictions as full-time scholarship holders (i.e. 500 hours per scholarship year; refer Regulation 8 and Note VI).

V. Payments under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax free as long as they are used directly for the payment of costs associated with an awardee’s programme of study. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.

VI. Recipients of the University of Auckland Bioengineering Masters Scholarship for Māori and Pacific Students will be required to give undertakings that they will comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and will notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment, employment or funding status. The University of Auckland may, in the event that a recipient of a University of Auckland Bioengineering Masters Scholarship for Māori and Pacific Students is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.

VII. Applicants must also apply for admission to the Masters programme by the closing date for admission.