

# University of Auckland International Student Excellence Scholarship

<b>Code:</b>	844
<b>Faculty:</b>	All
<b>Applicable study:</b>	New international students enrolling in undergraduate degrees, PGDip or masters programmes
<b>Closing date:</b>	21 November 2023 (Semester One intake) and 18 April 2024 (Semester Two intake)
<b>Tenure:</b>	One year
<b>For:</b>	Tuition fees
<b>Number on offer:</b>	Up to 50
<b>Offer rate:</b>	Bi-annually
<b>Value:</b>	Up to \$10,000 for either postgraduate study or undergraduate study

## Description

The University of Auckland International Student Excellence Scholarship was established in 2016.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to attract new international students of high calibre to enrol in undergraduate or postgraduate study of one year or more at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland.

## Selection process

- Applications are 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 will be known as the University of Auckland International Student Excellence Scholarship.
2. Up to 50 Scholarships will be awarded annually and will comprise a contribution towards compulsory tuition fees of up to \$10,000 each (see Note I).
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must i) be an international student (see Note II), ii) be either a new student who has received a conditional or unconditional offer of admission, or an English Language Academy (ELA) student who has received a conditional or unconditional offer of admission, or a student enrolled, or enrolling, in the Summer Start International programme who has received a conditional or unconditional offer of admission and iii) be enrolled, or enrolling, full-time in either a Postgraduate Diploma (PGDip) or masters degree, or an undergraduate degree (applying with overseas secondary or post-secondary qualifications) at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland (see Note III). Students who have already commenced study at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland, excluding study in the Summer Start International programme (see Note IV), students who have undertaken any tertiary level study in New Zealand, or students enrolling in a Business master programme in

the Graduate School of Management (GSM), excluding the Master of Applied Finance, the Master of Business Analytics and the Master of Supply Chain Management, are not eligible to apply for this Scholarship. A grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 6.00 is required for Scholarship consideration (see Note V).

4. The basis of selection will be academic merit (see Note V), the quality of the letter of application and endorsement by the applicant's referee. The Selection Committee may also consider the applicant's country of origin, and how the intended programme of study aligns with the University's strategic aims.
5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Deputy Vice Chancellor Strategic Engagement (or nominee), the Director of the International Office (or nominee), and two faculty representatives from the International Committee.
6. Applicants who have been offered a Scholarship must accept their offer by the date prescribed in the letter of award, otherwise the Scholarship offer will be forfeited (see Note VI).
7. The Scholarship will be paid as a credit towards compulsory fees in the first semester of study at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland as soon as is practical after confirmation of the awardee's enrolment (that is, after the final date on which a student may add or delete courses without incurring a late enrolment fee) (see Notes I and VI).
8. To be paid the Scholarship, awardees must be enrolled full-time in an undergraduate degree, a PGDip or masters programme (see Note III).
9. As a condition of tenure, awardees will be required to enrol full-time for at least two semesters of study at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland (see Note VI).
10. The Scholarship may not be held concurrently with a University of Auckland India High Achievers Scholarship, a University of Auckland ASEAN High Achievers Scholarship, or a University of Auckland International Business Masters Scholarship. However, the Scholarship may be held with any other scholarship, grant or award 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 Scholarship.
11. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there is no candidate that meets the criteria and/or no candidate of sufficient merit.
12. University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 21 November in the year preceding the award and 18 April in the year of the award.
14. Notes [I]-[VIII] below are deemed to be regulations.

## Notes

- I. *Compulsory fees are those only related to the relevant programme of study, plus Student Services Fee.*
- II. *International students are students who are neither citizens, permanent residents nor resident visa holders of New Zealand or Australia.*
- III. *Students must be enrolled as "on Campus" registrations. Students enrolling as distance education students (including Auckland Online) will not be eligible to apply.*
- IV. *Undergraduate students from University of Auckland Foundation Providers (UP Education and Taylors College) and New Zealand secondary-school leavers are not eligible to apply for this Scholarship.*
- V. *For the purpose of this Scholarship, academic merit is assessed as an Admissions Grade Point Average (GPA) or Grade Point Equivalent (GPE).*
- VI. *Except in cases where there are compelling medical reasons or adverse personal circumstances beyond a student's control, the scholarship must be taken up in the semester of offer. Students who are offered a University of Auckland International Student Excellence Scholarship but who do not take it up in the semester of offer may request that their application be reconsidered in the intake of applications for the semester immediately following. Requests must be made in writing to the Scholarships Office. The decision of the Scholarships Office is final.*
- VII. *Awardees who take up this Scholarship but who do not complete at least two semesters of study at Waipapa*

*Taumata Rau, University of Auckland or who withdraw their enrolment in any semester after payment has been made, will normally be required to pay back the full sum of monies received.*

*VIII. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Scholarship 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 it can be established that an awardee is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.*