



Funding, Scholarships and Grants Handbook



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This booklet contains information on funding most commonly applied for by Manukau Institute of Technology students for full-time programmes (very few grants are available for part-time courses).

Please read the information on each of the grants carefully so you are aware of who you need to contact in order to apply for a grant or scholarship.

This booklet can be downloaded from the MIT website: www.manukau.ac.nz

Please note: The Information contained in this handbook was received as correct at the time of printing.

General funding for all students

Other useful scholarship links

StudySpy	This is a useful website for finding scholarship information. This site provides links to websites that contain information on funding for tertiary education.	Visit studyspy.ac.nz
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Funding Source	Eligibility	Funding details
MIT Student Financial Assistance	You must be currently enrolled into an MIT programme. Your fees must be paid and you must be regularly attending your classes. Students applying for MIT Student Financial Assistance must provide proof of hardship e.g. receipts and a bank statement	Value: Variable Close: Ongoing—not available the first 3 weeks of the semester Contact: Student Experience and Success team Main Reception, Dilworth Building (NA Block), MIT Ōtara
Youth Guarantee Funding	To be eligible you must be: - aged between 16 and 24 as at the start of your programme. - a NZ citizen or permanent resident. - enrol in an approved Youth Guarantee Level 1, 2 or 3 programme that has a minimum of 60 credits (Full-time one semester or Part-time over one year). - supply a <i>Certificate of Exemption from the Ministry of Education if 15 years old.</i> <i>NB: Applicants who have already achieved a Level 3 National Qualification are not eligible for Youth Guarantee funding.</i> If accepted for Youth Guarantee scheme, 16 and 17 year olds are not eligible for a Student Loan through Studylink, 18—24 year olds are eligible to apply for student Allowance or Living costs through Study Link <i>NB: students who turn 18 while enrolled on Youth Guarantee funded qualification are not be eligible for course-related costs or living costs until their next enrolment.</i>	Value: Full Tuition fees for a maximum of two years (conditions apply) Close: When funding has been allocated Contact: For information about the Youth Guarantee programmes, contact the MIT Ask Me! Centre: Phone: 0800 62 62 52 or email: enquiries@manukau.ac.nz
Student Allowance / Student Loan	Full-time students aged 18 years of over (some 16-17 year olds are eligible) on an approved course of study at a recognised education provider. NZ citizen or permanent resident. (Some refugees may also be able to get a Student Allowance.) To find out if you are eligible, you can check here https://www.studylink.govt.nz/online-services/eligibility/index.html	Value: Variable Close: Not applicable Contact: StudyLink Freephone 0800 88 99 00 www.studylink.govt.nz

Funding for Female students

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Funding Source	Eligibility	Funding details
New Horizons for Women Trust Hine Kahukura Education Awards	Eligibility for Education Awards These awards support women who are returning to education or continuing their educational journey, especially those whose path to learning has not been straightforward. Our awards are intended for women who have faced and overcome challenges, demonstrated perseverance, and shown commitment to education, training, or personal development. These women play a vital role in helping their whānau and communities thrive. We welcome applications from women who meet the following criteria: • Are enrolled in an NZQA-approved tertiary qualification for study in 2027 (all fields of study are welcome). • Are a New Zealand citizen, hold a resident-class visa and live in New Zealand, or have been granted refugee status in New Zealand. • Are studying at Certificate level (NZQA level 3-4) or Diploma level (NZQA level 5-6) or Degree Level (NZQA level 7) • Have not previously received a New Horizons for Women Trust: Hine Kahukura award at the level of study being applied for • Are not a school leaver (i.e., not currently enrolled in secondary school at the time of applying). Targeted Awards In addition to general eligibility requirements listed above, we also offer targeted Education Awards in 2026 for: • Refugee and/or migrant women • Women studying STEM subjects (science, technology, engineering or mathematics) at degree level • Women studying for a trade qualification or in an apprenticeship • Women who have had their secondary education curtailed due to teen motherhood and are now studying at degree level while a solo parent. • Pasifika women studying Early Childhood or Primary Education (at any level) • Women studying in non-traditional fields • Women who have displayed community leadership Selection Criteria When considering the application, emphasis will be placed on: • Academic potential and commitment to education: We are not looking for perfect grades; rather, we value your determination and potential to successfully complete your programme of study. • Background information: Tell us your story. Including your reasons for returning to education, and your future study or employment goals. • Impact of the award: How the award will contribute to your success. We encourage all eligible wahine who have shown resilience and commitment in their educational journeys to apply for our awards. Whether you are returning to education after a break, overcoming personal challenges, or striving to excel in a non-traditional field, we want to support you. Our awards are designed to recognize and assist those who are dedicated to their personal and professional growth, and who are committed to making a positive impact on their whānau and communities.	Value: The value of awards is determined by the NZQA level the applicant is studying at, and may differ from year to year depending on the funds available: • Levels 3-4 \$1000 • Levels 5-6 \$1500 • Level 7 \$3000 Opens: 3 August 2026 Closes: 25 August 2026 Contact: enquiries@newhorizonsforwomen.org.nz For more information or to apply please see the website: www.newhorizonsforwomen.org.nz/awards

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Funding Source	Eligibility	Funding details
Rosemary Seymour Research Award	This award is funded by the Women's Studies Association Fund, and aims to support research about women, by women from a feminist perspective. Note: there are two Rosemary Seymour Awards available in 2026. One award is for wāhine Māori and one is open to all women. <i>Specific Eligibility Criteria:</i> <i>The project lead (the person completing the application form) must be a woman who</i> - Is a New Zealand citizen or holds a resident class visa and currently lives in New Zealand - Has not previously received a New Horizons For Women: Hine Kahukura Award <i>Selection Criteria</i> <i>When considering the application, the selection panel considers:</i> - Quality of the proposed research project (including methodology) - Project schedule and evidence of progress - Budget indicating how funds will be spent - Researcher's capability to conduct the research project - Benefit to women and/or girls in New Zealand.	Value: \$5,000 Open: 3 August Close: 25 August Contact: For application guidelines and further information please see website: www.newhorizonsforwomen.org.nz/research-awards.html
Zonta Club of South Auckland Study Award	Purpose: To assist in financing a student to undertake a course of study towards a professional or vocational qualification of any sort. The award is intended to primarily target a woman who is hoping to begin or to complete a course of study which she was unable to undertake immediately after leaving school Applicant must: - be a female student aged between 25 - 45 (at closing date) - be a New Zealand resident - show evidence of either application for/or enrolment in a course to be studied in 2027 - live in the region bounded by Sylvia Park Road in the north, on the west side of the motorway and south to Redoubt Road, continuing roughly straight east to Kawakawa Bay. Then on each side of the motorway as far as a line roughly through Port Waikato east to Maramarua. Shortlisted applicants must be available for an on-line interview with the selection committee in the week of September 14—18, 2026 The award presentation will be made at the Zonta South Auckland Awards Evening on Wednesday, 7 October 2026.	Value: up to \$5,000 Close: 31 August 2026 Contact: For any inquiries and an application form please email: southauckland@zonta.org.nz
Zonta Club of South Auckland Young Woman's Study Award	Purpose: To assist in financing a female student's first post-secondary school course, leading to a professional or vocational qualification. This award is primarily targeted at a student intending to complete a vocational or trade qualification, but applications aiming for university study will also be considered. - be a female student age 16-25 (as closing date for applications) - Be a New Zealand resident - live in the region bounded by Sylvia Park Road in the north, on the west side of the motorway and south to Redoubt Road, continuing roughly straight east to Kawakawa Bay. Then on each side of the motorway as far as a line roughly through Port Waikato east to Maramarua. Shortlisted applicants must be available for an on-line interview with the selection committee in the week of September 14—18, 2026 The award presentation will be made at the Zonta South Auckland Awards Evening on Wednesday, 7 October 2026.	Value: up to \$1,000 Close: 31 August 2026 Contact: For any inquiries and an application form please email: southauckland@zonta.org.nz

Funding for Female students continued

Funding Source	Eligibility	Funding details
GCSB Women in STEM Scholarship	To keep New Zealand safe we need people who are skilled and knowledgeable in cyber security, technology. Mathematics, computer engineering and computer science. GSCB needs to represent the society we serve and that includes ensuring we encourage women to study subjects that may assist them to gain a position with GSCB. To be eligible for GCSB Tertiary Scholarship, applicants must: - a student over the age of 18 years who identifies as female - In your second, or subsequent year of full time tertiary study (including Honours and Masters students) - Have enrolled, or been accepted into a full time degree majoring in science, technology, engineering or mathematics (STEM) at an approved NZQA accredited tertiary provider in New Zealand for the next academic year. Note: the STEM disciplines we are interested in include computer science, cyber security, technology, mathematics, computer engineering, and data science. - A New Zealand citizen or permanent resident	Value: \$10,000 Note, this can be spread over three years depending on your study plans, however, no more than \$5,000 will be allocated in any one year. Open: 1 July Close: 1 October Contact: Application forms found on the website: www.gcsb.govt.nz For all general enquiries email scholarship@nzic.govt.nz
Kate Edger Foundation: Retraining Awards	A number of awards to assist mature women, aged 25 years and above, to undertake study in order to return to a profession or take up work (paid or unpaid) in the community. In addition, a number of special retraining awards may be offered per annum that have been funded by private donors for specific purposes. The recipients of these awards will be selected from the applicants for the Retraining Awards at the discretion of the Selection Panel. - Retraining Award, in memory of Tressa Thomas - Retraining Award, in memory of Michele Harris	Value: \$2,000 Close: 16 March 2027 Contact: Full eligibility criteria and application forms available online: https://kateedgerfoundation.org.nz/award_list/retraining-awards/
Kate Edger Foundation: Foundation Awards	A number of awards to assist women who have completed a full time Foundation Course at an approved Tertiary Institute, totaling 120 points at NCEA Level 3 or above, and have enrolled in full time study for their first degree or diploma, to meet course expenses.	Value: \$2,000 Close: 16 February 2027 Contact: Full eligibility criteria and application forms available online: https://kateedgerfoundation.org.nz/award_list/retraining-awards/
Kate Edger Foundation: Bed Bath & Beyond MIT Award	One award of \$5000 will be offered annually to assist a woman enrolled in the first year of a three-year degree course at Manukau Institute of Technology. The Award will be paid in three instalments, \$2,000 for the first two years, then \$1,000 for the final year of study.	Value: \$5,000 (to be paid in three instalments over three years) Close: 20th October 2026 Contact: Full eligibility criteria and application forms available online https://kateedgerfoundation.org.nz/award_list/bed-bath-beyond-mit-award/

Funding for students with Disabilities

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Funding Source	Eligibility	Funding details
Dorothy L Newman Scholarship	Purpose: To assist people diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis who are unable to continue their current job and require retraining or upskilling to enhance their chances of securing paid employment Eligibility • Applications are open to people with a confirmed diagnosis of MS. • Applicants must be New Zealand residents. • Applicants do not need to be a member of a MS Regional Society; however, all applications need to be supported by a regional society by way of a letter of recommendation from an MS Community Advisor. • Applicants approve MSNZ to contact their local MS Community Advisor for additional information if required unless agreed otherwise. MSNZ and MS Regional Societies will adhere to Privacy Policies to protect the rights of applicants. • Applications must clearly demonstrate ability to complete the chosen course of study and how this will enable them to seek paid employment following completion of the course. • Members of the Selection Panel and their immediate family are not eligible to apply. • Unsuccessful applicants may re-apply in subsequent years. • Applicants consent to MSNZ engaging in possible publicity with regard to successful recipients	Value: Variable Close: 31 October (annually) Contact: For a copy of the guidelines and application form please email: info@msnz.org.nz For further information please visit the website: www.msnz.org.nz

Funding for Pasifika students

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Funding Source	Eligibility	Funding details
Māori Pasifika Trades Training (MPTT) Scholarship	Purpose: The Auckland Māori and Pasifika Trades Training (MPTT) Scholarship programme is an initiative that encourages young Māori and Pasifika people to gain trade qualifications, New Zealand apprenticeships and employment. This scholarship entitles you to free* tuition fees for the 2026 academic year, 'navigator' support to help guide and support you into a job in the trades, and a work readiness programme that will successfully prepare you for long-term employment. To be eligible to apply for the Māori Pasifika Trades Training Scholarship, you must be: • NZ Māori or Pasifika descent and aged between 16-40 years old; and • a New Zealand Permanent Resident or New Zealand Citizen; and • enrolled into an approved MPTT programme at MIT. * The 2026 MPTT Scholarship applications will be available for students who have been accepted and enrolled to study at MIT in the July Intake Only. www.manukau.ac.nz/study-options/free-study-options/maori-pasifika-trades-training	Value: Variable Open: 10 August 2026 Close: 21 August 2026 Contact: For more information and application forms please visit the Website: www.manukau.ac.nz/study-options/free-study-options/maori-pasifika-trades-training or Email: maoripasifikatrades@manukau.ac.nz
Pacific Education Foundation Scholarships	Pacific Education Foundation scholarships aim to encourage Pacific students into tertiary education. The scholarships can be used for any area of study at either graduate or postgraduate level. To be eligible for these scholarships, you must be • enrolled full-time in a tertiary institution in New Zealand • be indigenous Pacific cultural heritage • be a New Zealand citizen or resident and • be involved in your local community and, where possible, your Pacific community. Applications from mature students are welcome.	Value: Various Open: 1 September Close: 30 September Contact: Full eligibility criteria and "How to Apply" please visit the Website: https://www.education.govt.nz/education-professionals/schools-year-0-13/scholarships-and-study-awards/pacific-scholarships/pacific-education-foundation-scholarships or Email: TeachNZ.Admin@education.govt.nz

Funding for Education students: TeachNZ Scholarships

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Funding Source	Eligibility	Funding details
General: Te Huawhiti Career Changer Scholarship	To be eligible for the scholarship, you must: - be changing your career or profession to teaching - have at least 7 years of work experience or equivalent experience (either paid or unpaid) since leaving school. or, you can: - be an unqualified teacher currently working in a centre or school – such as a teacher aide - be an unqualified teacher with a Limited Authority to Teach - be working as a kaiārahi i te reo or kaiāwhina. and - be a New Zealand citizen, permanent resident or resident - be enrolled, have applied for, or be planning to enrol in one of the approved initial teacher education programmes listed on the Teaching Council's programme-finder tool (see the 'Popular Resources' section of the scholarship information page.) These programmes may be updated during the year. You are not eligible for the scholarship if you: - have already received a TeachNZ scholarship - have already completed initial teacher education training or are already a registered teacher - are participating or considering participating in the School Onsite Training Programme (SOTP)	Value: Course Fees + \$30,000 allowance per year over the period of your study Open: 3 August 2026 Open: 31 August 2026 Contact: For information visit their website: workforce.education.govt.nz Email: teachnz.admin@education.govt.nz
General: Te Huarau Scholarship	To be eligible for the scholarship, you must: - be a New Zealand citizen, permanent resident or resident - be enrolled, have applied for, or be planning to enrol, on 1 of the approved initial teacher education courses listed on the Teaching Council's programme-finder tool (see the popular resources section of the scholarship information page.) These courses may be updated during the year. You are not eligible for the scholarship if you: - have already received a TeachNZ scholarship - have already completed initial teacher education training or are already a registered teacher. - are participating or considering participating in the School Onsite Training Programme (SOTP).	Value: Course Fees + \$10,000 allowance over the period of your study Open: 3 August 2026 Open: 31 August 2026 Contact: For information visit their website: workforce.education.govt.nz Email: teachnz.admin@education.govt.nz
Kupe Scholarship for Māori and Pacific high achievers	To be eligible for the scholarship, you must: - be of New Zealand Māori or Pacific descent - have Māori or Pacific cultural knowledge - have integrity, leadership and vision - have support from your iwi/Pacific community and Māori or Pacific leaders in your community - be a New Zealand citizen, permanent resident or resident - have successfully completed at least one full year of your approved teaching course; or have academic excellence and be enrolled in an approved Graduate Diploma/Master of Teaching - have a B+ grade average or above (applies to undergraduate only). You are not eligible for the scholarship if you: - have already received a TeachNZ scholarship - have already completed initial teacher education training or are already a registered teacher. - are participating or considering participating in the School Onsite Training Programme (SOTP) <i>Approved teaching qualifications are determined by the Teaching Council. View the Teaching Council's course-finder tool in the 'Popular Resources' section of this page. These courses may be updated during the year.</i>	Value: Course Fees + \$15,000 allowance over the period of your study Open: 3 August 2026 Open: 31 August 2026 Contact: For information visit their website: workforce.education.govt.nz Email: teachnz.admin@education.govt.nz

Māori Scholarships or Grants Information & Tip Sheet

Foreword

If you are looking at applying for Maori grants or scholarships then there are a range of things you will need to have and you can prepare them if applications have not opened yet. Here are some tips of what you can prepare now:

- A current or updated professional Curriculum Vitae.
- Copies of all your NCEA and or other education results.
- References or names of referees.
- A copy of your Course Enrolment Approval Letter with the title of the study programme
- A list of papers you intend to study with an invoice for the cost of your study on University Letterhead.
- A date stamped bank account with your name on it however you should do this last because the stamp date must be close to the date you submit your application.

Once you have this information you will have almost everything you need to submit an application which is normally done on line.

Iwi Maori

For iwi Maori scholarships or grants you might need proof of Maori ancestry from a Kaumatua (elder) or someone who has the ability to verify your ancestry on behalf of your iwi.

Some iwi may require you to register with them on line first which is a good option especially if you are a late learner student and have children. You can register yourself and your children and they can apply if they decide to study at university in the future.

This can also include adopted or step children because in the Maori world whangai, or adoption, is acknowledged and accepted as a legitimate form of whakapapa or ancestry. You will need to do some research into your whakapapa to find out which iwi scholarships you qualify for.

This grants are generally open in January with various closing dates. Please check your Iwi websites.

Maori Land Trusts

There are also a range of Maori Land Trust Organisations that distribute grants annually to all descendants of those Maori who founded the trust. All you have to do is register your ancestry with them and produce proof of enrolment every year to qualify for their funding. You will need to do some research to find out if you are qualify for any of these.

Philanthropic Organisations

There are also a range of Philanthropic Organisations that distribute funding to Maori for example the Sir James Fletcher 2nd Memorial Trust (Fletcher Construction). This trust was part of the organisation that established the Tasman Pulp and Paper Mill in the in Kawerau in 1953 which was built on Maori land.

The trust distributes grants every year to anyone who has ancestry to the original Maori owners of the land. This trust alone distributes 100s of grants annually and the numbers applying are increasing every year. There are many trusts like this throughout the country but you will need to do some research to find out if you qualify for any of these.

Maori Scholarships and Grants

There are now a wide range of Maori scholarships and grants available these days and many are associated with Crown Agencies such as the Ministry of Health, Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Maori Development – Te Puni Kokiri. Some are also distributed through regional agencies like the District Health Boards. Many are now related to specific fields of study i.e. law, medicine, science, education, engineering, arts or humanities. You can only apply if you are studying in the field relevant to that scholarship.

Every university also offers various forms of funding support to Maori students too but they are usually in specialist areas and are highly contestable with large numbers of applicants. They are also assessed through academic results.

One of the longest serving Maori funding organisations is the Maori Education Trust which has gone through a number of structural management and governance changes over the years but has been around for a long time. You can access them at: <https://maorieducation.org.nz/>

Conclusion

There are many options for funding support if you are Maori studying at university but you need to have a field of study and have applied to one or many universities first. Once you have compiled the relevant information outlined in the first section of this information sheet you should get on line, do some research and find out what is available.

You should also apply for as many scholarships as you can and then assess your results. Some scholarships will allow you to receive iwi Maori grants because you are entitled to them through your ancestry but you should check this first. The main point here is you should not limit your options especially when it comes to iwi Maori support funding you are legally entitled to. Good luck with your studies and if you have any more questions or queries then let me know.

Funding for Māori students

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Funding Source	Eligibility	Funding details
He Manu Pirere nō Te Kōhanga Reo Scholarships Ngā Karahipi Tohu Paetahi ā te Kōhanga Reo—Te Kōhanga Reo Undergraduate Scholarship or Ngā Karahipi he Ringa Raupā—He Ringa Raupā Trade Scholarship	To be eligible to apply for the He Manu Pirere nō Te Kōhanga Reo Scholarship, you must be: - Have attended Kōhanga Reo for a minimum of two years (attach verification of attendance) - Be enrolled full-time at a New Zealand Tertiary institute in the year of application (evidence must be provided) - Have a Te Reo Māori as a component of the Study Programme (provide a course list confirming Te Reo is included**) or clearly demonstrate our ongoing commitment to the revitalization of Te Reo. Full criteria and guidelines available on the website	Value: \$1,000 Open: February Close: April Contact: To apply online or to download a copy of the form: Visit the Te Kōhanga Reo website: https://www.kohanga.ac.nz/te-whare-ako/he-manu-pirere-scholarships For more information: Email: hemanupirere@kohanga.ac.nz
Māori Pasifika Trades Training (MPTT) Scholarship	Purpose: The Auckland Māori and Pasifika Trades Training (MPTT) Scholarship programme is an initiative that encourages young Māori and Pasifika people to gain trade qualifications, New Zealand apprenticeships and employment. This scholarship entitles you to free* tuition fees for the 2026 academic year, 'navigator' support to help guide and support you into a job in the trades, and a work readiness programme that will successfully prepare you for long-term employment. To be eligible to apply for the Māori Pasifika Trades Training Scholarship, you must be: - NZ Māori or Pasifika descent and aged between 16-40 years old; and - a New Zealand Permanent Resident or New Zealand Citizen; and - enrolled into an approved MPTT programme at MIT. * The 2026 MPTT Scholarship applications will be available for students who have been accepted and enrolled to study at MIT in the July Intake Only. www.manukau.ac.nz/study-options/free-study-options/maori-pasifika-trades-training	Value: Variable Open: 10 August 2026 Close: 21 August 2026 Contact: For more information and application forms please visit the Website: www.manukau.ac.nz/study-options/free-study-options/maori-pasifika-trades-training or Email: maoripasifikatrades@manukau.ac.nz
Māori Education Trust Undergraduate Scholarship	Available to Māori undergraduate students who are in their second or subsequent year of study. Priority will be given to students with financial need. Eligibility Applicants must: - be of New Zealand Māori descent; - be enrolled at a New Zealand tertiary institute in the year of scholarship application submission; - be attending <u>full-time</u> study for the <u>full year</u>; - be enrolled in your second or subsequent year of study; - submit the application and supporting documentation on time. Supporting Information You need to provide: - Whakapapa verification. This can be a letter from your iwi confirming your registration. - Enrolment confirmation for year of scholarship application submission. This will need to prove that you're undertaking full-time study for the full year. - NSN and student ID number. - Bank verification of your bank account number. This can be a bank statement or a screenshot of your banking app. - Academic transcript. This does not need to be certified. - Curriculum Vitae.	Value: Variable Close: End of May Contact: Maori Education Trust PO Box 413, Wellington 6140 Apply online https://maorieducation.org.nz For all queries email: info@maorieducation.org.nz

Funding for Māori students continued

Funding Source	Eligibility	Funding details
Norman Kirk Memorial Scholarship	Available to full-time Māori undergraduate students studying at a recognised New Zealand tertiary institute. Priority will be given to students with financial need and academic merit. Eligibility Applicants must: 1. be of New Zealand Māori descent; 2. be enrolled at a New Zealand tertiary institute in the year of your scholarship application submission; 3. be attending <u>full-time</u> study for the <u>full year</u>; 4. submit the application and supporting documentation on time. Supporting Information You need to provide: 1. Whakapapa verification. This can be a letter from your iwi confirming your registration. 2. Enrolment confirmation for the year of your scholarship application submission. This will need to prove that you're undertaking full-time study for the full year. 3. NSN and student ID number. 4. Bank verification of your bank account number. This can be a bank statement or a screenshot of your banking app. 5. Academic transcript. This does not need to be certified.	Value: Variable Close: End of May Contact: Maori Education Trust PO Box 413, Wellington 6140 Apply online https://maorieducation.org.nz/ For all queries email: info@maorieducation.org.nz
Rose Hellaby Bursaries Scholarship	Available to Māori undergraduate students studying to become qualified or employed in a profession or calling which includes scientific, mathematical or technical skills. Priority will be given to students with academic merit and leadership skills. Eligibility Applicants must: 1. be enrolled at a New Zealand tertiary institute in the year of your scholarship application submission; 2. be attending <u>full-time</u> study for the <u>full year</u>; 3. be undertaking study to be employed in a profession which includes scientific, mathematical or technical skills; 4. submit the application and supporting documentation on time. Supporting Information You need to provide: 1. Whakapapa verification. This can be a letter from your iwi confirming your registration. 2. Enrolment confirmation for the year of your scholarship application submission. This will need to prove that you're undertaking full-time study for the full year. 3. NSN and student ID number. 4. Bank verification of your bank account number. This can be a bank statement or a screenshot of your banking app. 5. Academic transcript. This does not need to be certified.	Value: Variable Close: End of May Contact: Maori Education Trust PO Box 413, Wellington 6140 Apply online https://maorieducation.org.nz/ For all queries email: info@maorieducation.org.nz

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Funding Source	Eligibility	Funding details
Roy Watling Mitchell Busaries Scholarship	Available to a first-year Māori undergraduate students who attended secondary school as a Year 13 in the year before your scholarship application submission. Priority will be given to students with academic merit and financial need. Eligibility Applicants must: 1. be of New Zealand Māori descent; 2. be enrolled at a New Zealand tertiary institute in the year of your scholarship application submission; 3. attended secondary school as a Year 13 in the year before your scholarship application submission. 4. be attending <u>full-time</u> study for the <u>full year</u>; 5. submit the application and supporting documentation on time. Supporting Information You need to provide: 1. Whakapapa verification. This can be a letter from your iwi confirming your registration. 2. Enrolment confirmation for the year of your scholarship application submission. This will need to prove that you're undertaking full-time study for the full year. 3. NSN and student ID number. 4. Bank verification of your bank account number. This can be a bank statement or a screenshot of your banking app. 5. Academic transcript. This will need to show your results as a Year 13. 6. Curriculum Vitae.	Value: Variable Close: End of May Contact: Maori Education Trust PO Box 413, Wellington 6140 Apply online https://maorieducation.org.nz/ For all queries email: info@maorieducation.org.nz
Sister Annie Henry Scholarship	Available to an Undergraduate Māori student who is a direct descendant of Reverend John George Laughton or of Tūhoe descent, to assist with education or training costs. Eligibility Applicants must: 1. be of New Zealand Māori descent; 2. be enrolled at a New Zealand tertiary institute in the year of your scholarship application submission; 3. be attending <u>full-time</u> study for the <u>full year</u>; 4. be a direct descendant of Reverend John George Laughton <u>or</u> of Tūhoe descent; 5. submit the application and supporting documentation on time. Supporting Information You need to provide: 1. Whakapapa verification. This can be a letter from your iwi confirming your registration to Tūhoe iwi, or confirming your whakapapa to Reverend John George Laughton. 2. Enrolment confirmation for the year of your scholarship application submission. This will need to prove that you're undertaking full-time study for the full year. 3. NSN and student ID number. 4. Bank verification of your bank account number. This can be a bank statement or a screenshot of your banking app. 5. Academic transcript. This does not need to be certified. 6. Curriculum Vitae.	Value: Variable Close: End of May Contact: Maori Education Trust PO Box 413, Wellington 6140 Apply online https://maorieducation.org.nz/ For all queries email: info@maorieducation.org.nz

Funding for Māori students continued

Funding Source	Eligibility	Funding details
Ti Maru Māori Trust Undergraduate Scholarship	Available to full-time Māori undergraduate students enrolled in their final year of study at a recognised New Zealand tertiary institute in the year of your scholarship application submission. Priority will be given to students with academic merit. Eligibility Applicants must: 1. be of New Zealand Māori descent; 2. be enrolled at a New Zealand tertiary institute in the year of your scholarship application submission; 3. be attending <u>full-time</u> study for the <u>full year</u>; 4. submit the application and supporting documentation on time. Supporting Information You need to provide: 1. Whakapapa verification. This can be a letter from your iwi confirming your registration. 2. Enrolment confirmation of the year of your scholarship application submission. This will need to prove that you're undertaking full-time study for the full year. 3. NSN and student ID number. 4. Bank verification of your bank account number. This can be a bank statement or a screenshot of your banking app. 5. Academic transcript. This does not need to be certified. 6. Curriculum Vitae.	Value: Variable Close: End of May Contact: Maori Education Trust PO Box 413, Wellington 6140 Apply online https://maorieducation.org.nz/ For all queries email: info@maorieducation.org.nz
The Ngarimu VC and 28th Battalion Memorial Academic Scholarships	We offer scholarships for Māori who demonstrate their values align with those of the 28th Māori Battalion. Eligibility To be eligible for these scholarships you must be: • of Māori descent or whakapapa to a recognised Māori iwi • enrolling in or already enrolled to continue full-time tertiary study We will give preference to applicants who demonstrate that their studies aim to improve the social, economic and cultural wellbeing of Māori or are on Māori issues. Full application criteria for each academic category listed on the website.	Value: Variable Open: June each year Close: Mid-July Contact: Apply online https://www.education.govt.nz/parents-and-caregivers/school-leavers/available-assistance/ngarimu-vc-and-28th-maori-battalion-memorial-scholarships For all queries email: ngarimu.scholarship@education.govt.nz
Rosemary Seymour Research Award	This award is funded by the Women's Studies Association Fund, and aims to support research about women, by women from a feminist perspective. Note: there are two Rosemary Seymour Awards available in 2026. One award is for wāhine Māori and one is open to all women. Specific Eligibility Criteria: <i>The project lead (the person completing the application form) must be a woman who</i> • Is a New Zealand citizen or holds a resident class visa and currently lives in New Zealand • Has not previously received a New Horizons For Women: Hine Kahukura Award Selection Criteria <i>When considering the application, the selection panel considers:</i> • Quality of the proposed research project (including methodology) • Project schedule and evidence of progress • Budget indicating how funds will be spent • Researcher's capability to conduct the research project • Benefit to women and/or girls in New Zealand.	Value: \$5,000 Open: 3 August Close: 25 August Contact: For application guidelines and further information please see website: www.newhorizonsforwomen.org.nz/research-awards.html

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Sir Apirana Ngata Memorial Scholarship	This scholarship is open to all Māori studying at tertiary level. This may include university, polytechnic, or wananga. Although all students of Māori descent are eligible, preference is given to those who can show whakapapa links to a Māori soldier that served in World War One. Please note that eligibility is not a guarantee of success. The Māori Trustee reserves the right to decline to offer some or any of the scholarships. Check website for eligibility criteria and more information	Value: Variable Close: 1 May (annually) Contact: Freeport Authority Te Tumu Paeroa PO Box 5038 Wellington 6140 Website https://www.tetumupaeroa.co.nz/who-we-are/grants-and-scholarships/ For all queries email: contact@tetumupaeroa.co.nz
2027 Te Waiu o Aotearoa Trust Scholarship	The Te Waiu o Aotearoa Trust Scholarship supports Māori students pursuing tertiary study in business, banking, finance and technology-related disciplines, helping to foster future Māori leaders and professionals across Aotearoa. Applicants must: • Be of Māori descent and registered with their iwi • Be enrolled at an accredited New Zealand tertiary institution in 2027 • Be studying a business-related, technology-related, banking or finance qualification • Be studying full-time • Preferably, but not necessarily, be fluent in te Reo Māori Submit a completed application and supporting documentation by 11:59pm, Sunday 4 October 2026 Support documentation required: • Copy of CV • A certified copy of academic transcripts • Iwi registration letter or certified whakapapa • Tertiary institute enrolment confirmation letter or certified tertiary details.	Value: Up to \$5,000 Open: 6 July 2026 Close: 4 October 2026 Contact: Further information and application details can be found on the Westpac website: https://www.westpac.co.nz/about-us/sustainability-community/our-people-communities/te-waiu-o-aotearoa-trust-scholarship/ Application and supporting documents should be emailed to: twoa@westpac.co.nz
Iwi Trust Boards	Please refer to table at the end of the booklet for website details Please refer to table at the end of the booklet for website details	

Iwi Trust Board Websites

NB: Please contact your iwi directly as some may no longer be offering funding

Maniapoto Maori Trust Board	www.maniapoto.iwi.nz
Muaupoko (Nga Tara)	www.muaupoko.iwi.nz
Nga Rauru Iwi	www.ngarauru.org.nz
Ngāi Tahu	www.ngaitahu.iwi.nz
Ngai Te Rangihouhiri II Hapu	www.terangihouhiri.iwi.nz
Ngāpuhi	www.ngapuhi.iwi.nz
Ngāti Awa	www.ngatiawa.iwi.nz
Ngati Hei	www.ngatihei.iwi.nz
Ngati Hine Alliance	www.ngatihine.iwi.nz
Ngāti Hinewaka Claim Committee	www.hinewaka.iwi.nz
Ngāti Kahungunu	www.kahungunu.iwi.nz
Ngāti Maniapoto	www.maniapoto.iwi.nz
Ngati Manu Trust	www.ngatimanu.iwi.nz
Ngati Mutunga Iwi Authority Board	www.ngatimutunga.iwi.nz
Ngāti Porou	www.ngatiporou.iwi.nz
Ngati Rangi Incorporated	www.ngati-rangi.maori.nz
Ngati Ranginui Iwi Society Inc	www.ranginui.iwi.nz
Ngati Rehua Ngatiwai Ki Aotea Trust	www.ngatirehua.iwi.nz
Ngati Tama	www.ngatitama.iwi.nz
Ngati Tuera / Ngati Hinearo	www.tuera-hinearo.iwi.nz
Ngati Whakaue	www.ngatiwhakaue.iwi.nz
Rongowhakaata Charitable Trust	www.rongowhakaata.iwi.nz
Tainui	www.tainui.co.nz
Tanenuiarangi Manawatu Inc.	www.rangitaane.iwi.nz
Tapuika Iwi Authority Incorporated	www.tapuika.iwi.nz
Tataiahape Marae	www.ngatiraka.iwi.nz
Te Arawa Maori Trust Board	www.tearawa.iwi.nz
Te Iwi o Ngati Ruanui	www.ruanui.co.nz
Te Kawerau a Maki Trust	www.te-kawerau-a-maki.iwi.nz
Te Kotahitanga o Nga Mahanga a Tairi	www.ngamahangaatairi.iwi.nz
Te Maru o Ngati Rangiwewehi	www.rangiwewehi.iwi.nz
Te Runanga a Iwi o Nga Puhi	www.ngapuhi.iwi.nz
Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu	www.ngaitahu.iwi.nz
Te Runanga o Ngati Porou	www.ngatiporou.iwi.nz
Te Runanga o Ngati Pu Inc	www.ngatipu.iwi.nz
Te Runanga o Ngati Whare Iwi Trust	www.ngatiwhare.iwi.nz
Te Runanga o Ngati Whatua	www.ngatiwhatua.iwi.nz
Te Runanga o Raukawa	www.raukawa.iwi.nz
Te Runanga o Toa Rangatira	www.ngatitoa.iwi.nz
Te Runanga o Turanganui a Kiwa	www.trotak.iwi.nz
Te Runanganui o Ngati Paoa	www.ngatipaoa.iwi.nz
The Ngati Awa Trust Board	www.ngatiawa.iwi.nz
Tuhoe-Waikaremoana Maori Trust Board	www.tuhoe.iwi.nz
Whanganui Trust	www.whanganuitrust.com



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