The EY Scholarship in Accounting (formerly known as the Ernst & Young Scholarship in Accounting) was established in 2009 to encourage and support students in the study of Accounting at the University of Waikato. Ernst & Young is a global leader in assurance, tax, transaction, and advisory services.

1. Purpose
   1.1. The EY Scholarship in Accounting is awarded annually to provide financial support to Accounting students in the third year of an undergraduate degree in the Waikato Management School.

2. Eligibility
   2.1. To be eligible, candidates must:
      2.1.1. be intending to enrol full-time in the third year of an undergraduate degree in 2020, at the Waikato Management School,
      2.1.2. be majoring in Accounting; and
      2.1.3. have already completed the following 200-level accounting papers:
            a. ACCTN203 Management Accounting: Accounting for Organisational Control; or

3. Value
   3.1. The value of the one-year Scholarship will be $2,000 paid directly into the recipient’s bank account after the WMS Prizegiving Ceremony.
   3.2. Also included will be automatic entry into the Ernst & Young summer intern/graduate assessment process (conditional on the recipient completing the relevant application form).

4. Application
   4.1. Applications will close at midnight on 16 March.
   4.2. As part of the online application process, each applicant must:
      4.2.1. Complete and upload the Personal Statement form, writing under the following subheadings (without exceeding two pages in total):
            - My interest in, and aptitude for, Accounting
            - My personal attributes
            - My extracurricular activities and community involvement
      4.2.2. Upload a brief CV (no longer than four A4 pages in length)
      4.2.3. Request the submission of up to three written references, one of which must be academic.
5. **Selection Criteria**

5.1. The Selection Panel shall consider the applicants' relevant 200-level academic record, interest in, and aptitude for Accounting, personal attributes, and extracurricular activities and community involvement.

6. **Selection Panel**

6.1. The Selection Panel will comprise of the Waikato Management School Associate Dean Academic and Operations, the Accounting Convenor of the School of Accounting, Finance and Economics (SAFE), a representative of EY, and the Waikato Management School's Scholarships Committee representative (or nominees).

6.2. The Selection Panel may refrain from making a recommendation if it finds no candidate of sufficient merit.

6.3. All applicants will be advised in writing of the outcome of their application.

6.4. The Selection Panel’s decision is final; no further correspondence will be entered into following the selection meeting.

7. **Awarding**

7.1. The offer of a Scholarship must be accepted by the dated indicated in the offer. If an applicant fails to accept the Scholarship within the prescribed period, the offer will lapse.

7.1.1. If a successful candidate declines a Scholarship, or does not take it up, the Selection Panel reserves the right to offer the Scholarship to another applicant.

7.2. The Scholarship shall be awarded at the Waikato Management School prize giving after the selection process.

8. **Other Conditions**

8.1. The Scholarship shall be taken up in the year for which it is offered.

8.2. The Scholarships Committee may terminate a Scholarship at any time, and recoup any funds disbursed, if the holder withdraws from the University of Waikato during the tenure of the Scholarship, brings the Scholarship, the University or Funder into disrepute\(^1\), or is otherwise not complying with the regulations governing the Scholarship.

8.3. The holder will have the right to appeal to the Scholarships Executive against any decision to terminate the scholarship.

8.4. By accepting the offer of this award, the recipient agrees to participate in any publicity concerning the Scholarship arranged by the sponsor and/or the University of Waikato.

8.5. In consultation with Ernst & Young and the Chairperson of the Department of Accounting, the above regulations may be amended or varied, provided there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

\(^1\) See [Student Code of Conduct](#)