1. **Purpose**
To assist women students, who are enrolled full-time or part-time at the University of Waikato for a thesis worth at least 90 points towards a Masters degree.

2. **Funding available:** $2,000 per award.

3. **Closing date:** 30 April
Applications must be sent to the Waikato Graduate Women Awards Committee, PO Box 148, Hamilton 3240, by the due date.
Applicants are responsible for ensuring that their referee sends their confidential reference by the due date, using the form provided on the Academic Awards page of the Waikato Graduate Women Educational Trust website.

4. **Eligibility criteria**
Applicants for the Award shall be women students who, at the time of application, are:
- a) enrolled full-time or part-time for a thesis worth at least 90 points for the Masters degree;
- b) holders of New Zealand citizenship or have held permanent residence for a period of at least two years.

5. **Application process**
Applicants must provide:
- a) a certified copy of her academic transcript if these studies were not completed at the University of Waikato;
- b) a statement of up to 500 words explaining the thesis topic for a general audience;
- c) the name and contact details of her thesis supervisor, whom the applicant has asked to provide a confidential referee report;
- d) evidence of NZ citizenship or permanent residence for a period of at least two years.

6. **Selection**
The Award will be made primarily on academic merit.
The Awards Committee of the Waikato Graduate Women Educational Trust will administer the Award. The Committee’s decision is final.
The number of awards will be subject to availability of funds and standard of applications. If, in the opinion of the Committee, applications are not of an acceptable standard, no award will be made.

7. **Awarding**
Award winners will be informed in June of the year applications are submitted.