The Artemis Foundation Scholarship aims to alleviate some of the financial hardship students can face to continue with university study. The Scholarship was established in 2019 through alumnus Victor Li, who has gone on to undertake an MBA at the University of Cambridge in the UK and who wishes to support students at the University of Waikato. The Scholarship will be awarded to a University of Waikato student who intends to undertake a third or fourth year of study in an undergraduate degree in areas relating to Education or Business or Environmental Sustainability (or a combination of the three). One scholarship will be awarded annually, providing a tuition fees credit of $5,000 and a cash payment of $2,000.

1. Purpose
   1.1. To assist current University of Waikato students who demonstrate financial and/or personal hardship to continue studying towards their undergraduate degree at the University of Waikato.

2. Eligibility
   2.1. To be eligible for consideration, candidates must:
       a) be intending to enrol full-time (i.e. 120-points) in the third or fourth year of their first undergraduate degree at the University of Waikato in the year of tenure; and
       b) be studying in an area relating to Education, Business, or Environmental Sustainability (or a combination of the three); and
       c) have achieved at least an B+ average in their previous year(s) of study at University of Waikato; and
       d) be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident; and
       e) meet the conditions outlined in clause 7.1 in regards to co-tenure.
   2.2. Previous recipients of this Scholarship may apply again as long as they passed all of their papers during the year they were supported by the Scholarship and meet the eligibility criteria above.

3. Value and Tenure
   3.1. The Scholarship will have a value of $7,000, of which
       a) $5,000 will be credited directly to the recipient’s University of Waikato tuition fees in the year of tenure.
       b) $2,000 will be paid directly to the recipient after the withdrawal date of the first trimester.
   3.2. The Scholarship will have a tenure of one year.
4. Application

4.1. The closing date for online applications is **15 November each year**.

4.2. As part of the online application process, each candidate must submit:
   a) a Personal Statement (using the prescribed template) that outlines the following:
      o Why completing their degree is important to the candidate and their future ambitions;
      o Financial hardship;
      o Any other extraordinary personal circumstances that may hinder the candidate’s ability to complete their degree (if applicable); and
      o Any other information that may be of relevance to the Selection Panel.

5. Selection Panel and Criteria

5.1. The Selection Panel will comprise of the Chair of the Scholarships Committee (Or nominee) as Chair, one divisional representative of the Scholarships Committee (appointed by the Chair) and the Sponsor.

5.2. In awarding the Scholarship, the Selection Panel will consider the candidates’ academic potential, financial hardship and/or extraordinary personal circumstances. Preference may be given to female students as per the values of the Artemis Foundation.

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

5.4. The Selection Panel’s decisions are final and no further correspondence will be entered into following the selection meeting.

6. Awarding

6.1. The successful applicant(s) will be advised of the offer of a Scholarship via their MyWaikato portal and must accept the offer by the prescribed date or the offer will lapse.

6.2. Recipients of this Scholarship may study at either the Hamilton or Tauranga campus (or both).

6.3. Through the School of Graduate Research, the University monitors recipients’ performance and reserves the right to impose further conditions where a recipient’s performance is unsatisfactory.

7. Other Conditions

7.1. The Scholarship may not be held in conjunction with any University of Waikato scholarship that contains a tuition fees credit, except those that state they are specifically for financial hardship. It may be held in conjunction with any other scholarship, award or prize unless the conditions of the other award preclude this.
7.2. Should a recipient withdraw from any papers, without adding sufficient papers to maintain an overall enrolment in a minimum of 120-points for the academic year, the University may ask for the Scholarship to be repaid.

7.3. In accepting the Scholarship, the recipient will be deemed to have read, understood, and accepted the conditions of the Scholarship, and the Scholarships Policy.

7.4. The Scholarships Committee may terminate this Scholarship at any time, and recoup any funds disbursed, if the holder withdraws from the University of Waikato, brings the Scholarship, University or Sponsor into disrepute, or is otherwise not complying with the regulations governing the Scholarship and/or the University of Waikato. The holder of a Scholarship will have the right to appeal to the Scholarships Executive against any decision to terminate the award.

7.5. The Scholarship is not refundable to the student under any circumstances, although (in the case of fees payment) a student who withdraws from the University may (under the provisions of the Fees Regulations) apply for a refund of tuition fees paid that were not covered by the Scholarship.

7.6. By accepting the Scholarship, the recipient agrees to participate in any publicity concerning the Scholarship arranged by the University of Waikato or Sponsor.

7.7. The Scholarships Committee may, from time to time, vary these regulations.

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1 See Code of Student Conduct