The Frank and Alma Kemp Scholarship recognises that for many prospective students from the East Coast Region that family and financial circumstances may hinder their opportunity to study at University. Frank and Alma Kemp lived on the East Coast for most of their lives and were very focussed on education opportunities for their own children, as well as helping other parents in the community to find education opportunities for their children within the limited options available. The Scholarship commemorates Frank and Alma Kemp’s commitment to the East Coast and its families. This Scholarship was established in 2018 and was made possible through the generous donation of their daughter Liz Kemp. The Scholarship will be awarded annually to school-leavers from any New Zealand high-school, who would normally reside in the stipulated East Coast region. It will primarily be offered on the basis of evidence of academic readiness (NCEA Level 2 results), leadership, and strong community spirit.

1. Purpose

1.1. The Scholarship was established to make the University of Waikato accessible to students from the East Coast region of Opotiki to Te Araroa, who show strong academic ability, leadership/community spirit, and motivation to study. It is particularly for those who otherwise may not be able to attend university due to financial constraints.

2. Eligibility

2.1. To be eligible, candidates must:
   a) be a New Zealand citizen who is currently studying at NCEA level 3 (or equivalent) at any New Zealand secondary school, whose home is in the East Coast region between Opotiki to Te Araroa.
   b) qualify for direct entry into an undergraduate degree programme and enrol as a full-time (a full-time academic year comprises of 120-points) student first time in the year of tenure; and

2.2. Students who have taken no more than one ‘gap year’ after completing NCEA Level 3 (or equivalent) may also apply for the Scholarship, provided they meet the other eligibility criteria.

3. Value and Tenure

3.1. Each Scholarship will have a value of up to $5,000.

3.2. The Scholarship tenure is for the duration of the recipient’s undergraduate degree (3 or 4 years), with continued eligibility dependent on meeting Clause 7.3 of the regulations.

3.3. Recipients enrolled on the Hamilton campus will have the Scholarship credited towards their accommodation in either Bryant Hall or Student Village. Recipients enrolled on the
Tauranga campus will have the Scholarship credited towards their accommodation in the Mayfair Court Apartments.

3.4. For the second and consecutive years of the recipient’s undergraduate degree, the Scholarship can be credited towards the recipient’s accommodation in the Halls of Residence or tuition fees.

4. Application

4.1. The closing date for online applications is 1 October 2019.

4.2. As part of the online application process, each candidate must:
   a) Complete and upload (without exceeding two A4 pages in length) the prescribed Personal Statement form that outlines the candidate’s:
      o Proposed course of study and future career plans
      o Recent and current community involvement
      o Any other information of relevance to the Selection Panel (e.g. first in family to attend university, description of financial need and/or personal circumstances, etc.)
   b) Upload their NCEA School Results Summary, or equivalent
   c) a CV (no more than three A4 pages)
   d) a character reference; and
   e) request the submission of a completed Principal's Assessment form (on the prescribed form), as stipulated in the application form.

5. Selection Criteria

5.1. In awarding the Scholarships, the Selection Panel will take into consideration all or some of the following: academic readiness (based on NCEA Level 2 results), leadership/community roles, and financial need/personal circumstances (for example, first in family to study at university).

5.2. Preference will be given to applicants who demonstrate academic ability, with consideration to those who demonstrate serious financial hardship and/or exceptional personal circumstances.

6. Selection Panel

6.1. The Scholarships will be awarded by a Selection Panel comprising:
   a) The Chair of the Scholarships Committee (or nominee) in the Chair;
   b) Sponsor and /or their nominee; and
   c) A Faculty representative of the Scholarships Committee (appointed by the Chairperson).

6.2. The Selection Panel may refrain from making a recommendation if it does not find a candidate of sufficient merit.
6.3. The Selection Panel’s decisions are final and 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 date indicated in the letter of offer or the offer will lapse.

7.2. Payment of the scholarship will be paid in two instalments (after the withdrawal date for A Semester and after the withdrawal date for B Semester)

7.3. To maintain eligibility, students offered the Scholarship must:
   a) be accepted into an undergraduate programme of study at the University of Waikato;
   b) remain enrolled full-time (i.e. 120-points) for the period of tenure; and
   c) achieve passing results of all their papers.

8. Other Conditions

8.1. The Scholarship may be held in conjunction with any other scholarship or award unless the conditions of the other award preclude this.

8.2. 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.

8.3. The Scholarships Committee may terminate a Scholarship at any time, and recoup any funds disbursed, if the holder withdraws from the University during the tenure of the Scholarship, brings the University into disrepute¹, or is otherwise not complying with the regulations governing the Scholarship. The holder of a Scholarship will have the right to appeal to the Scholarships Executive against any decision to terminate the award.

8.4. The Scholarship is not refundable to the student under any circumstances.

8.5. The Scholarships Committee, in consultation with the sponsor, may, from time to time, vary these regulations.

8.6. In signing and returning the Scholarship Acceptance form, the recipient will be deemed to have read, understood, and accepted the conditions of the Scholarship.

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¹ See Student Code of Conduct