



This Scholarship was established in 1999 in recognition of the Faculty's kaumatua, Kamira Henry (Binga) Haggie. Binga (as he was commonly known), was the Te Piringa – Faculty of Law (formerly the Waikato Law School) foundation kaumatua from 1991-96, when he retired from the position. In his role as kaumatua, Binga provided a great deal of support to the Faculty. He passed away in 1997. Up to two scholarships are offered each year with a maximum total pool of funding of \$5,000 each year.

## 1. Purpose

- 1.1. The Kamira Henry (Binga) Haggie Scholarship supports high achieving, well-rounded Māori students studying at Te Piringa - Faculty of Law at the University of Waikato.

## 2. Eligibility and Selection Criteria

- 2.1. **To be eligible**, candidates must:
  - 2.1.1 be of Māori descent; and
  - 2.1.2 be eligible for admission into, or be already enrolled in, the Master of Laws programme **or** be currently enrolled in a Bachelor of Laws with Honours at Te Piringa - Faculty of Law at the University of Waikato, at the time of application; and
  - 2.1.3 not have previously been awarded this Scholarship.
- 2.2. Candidates may hold a position as a sessional assistant with the University but may not be employed on a permanent or full-time basis.
- 2.3. **Selection is based on:**
  - 2.3.1. Academic merit (most recent 240-points of study at a New Zealand Tertiary Institution (i.e. the equivalent of two years' full-time enrolment)
  - 2.3.2. Alignment to the qualities outlined in the personal statement (see Clause 4.2.1).
- 2.4. Preference will be given to applicants currently enrolled in a Master of Laws.
- 2.5. **To maintain eligibility** recipients must enrol or remain enrolled in a Master of Laws **or** LLB (Hons), at Te Piringa - Faculty of Law at the University of Waikato.

## 3. Value, Tenure and Awarding

- 3.1. The Scholarship has a value of **up to \$5,000** which will be paid in one lump sum to the recipient as soon as practicable after confirmation that they meet clause 2.5.
- 3.2. The Scholarship may be divided between two recipients.
- 3.3. The successful applicant will be advised of the offer of a Scholarships via their MyWaikato portal and must accept the offer by the prescribed date or the offer will lapse.
- 3.4. In accepting the Scholarship, the recipient will be deemed to have read, understood, and accepted the conditions of the Scholarship and the [Scholarships Policy](#).
- 3.5. The Scholarship will have a tenure of one year and must be taken up in the year for which it is offered.

## 4. Application

- 4.1. The closing date for online applications is **15 August each year**
- 4.2. As part of the online application process, each candidate must submit:
  - 4.2.1. a personal statement (using the prescribed template) outlining the following:
    - a. motivation for enrolling in a Masters **or** LLB(Hons) degree
    - b. involvement in Māori processes and systems at Te Piringa – Faculty of Law and their community
    - c. personal circumstances and commitment to whanau, hapu and iwi
    - d. financial circumstances, including income and employment;
  - 4.2.2. a CV (no more than two A4 pages in length);
  - 4.2.3. Candidates should also request an academic reference from their academic supervisor or a member of the academic staff at the institution at which the candidate completed, or is completing, the qualification that defines their eligibility for entry into the Te Piringa - Faculty of Law Graduate Programme.
- 4.3. Applicant's whose enrolment details do not record their ethnicity as New Zealand Māori, must provide a whakapapa or genealogy (or similar declaration) with their application.

## 5. Selection Panel

- 5.1. The Selection Panel will comprise of the Scholarships Committee representative from the Division of Arts, Law, Psychology and Social Science (in Chair), a representative of Te Piringa – Faculty of Law staff (as nominated by the Dean of Law) and a member of the Haggie whānau (or nominee).
- 5.2. The Selection Panel may refrain from making a recommendation if it finds no candidate(s) of sufficient merit.
- 5.3. The Selection Panel's decisions are final and no correspondence will be entered into following the selection meeting.

## 6. Other Conditions

- 6.1. The Scholarship may be held together with any other scholarship, award or prize unless the conditions of the other funding preclude this.
- 6.2. If a recipient is in receipt of a student allowance, another scholarship, or any type of financial assistance, it is their responsibility to check their entitlement to other income and tax implications.
- 6.3. 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 of Donor into disrepute<sup>1</sup>, or is otherwise not complying with the regulations governing the Scholarship and/or the regulations of 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 Scholarship.

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<sup>1</sup> See [Code of Student Conduct](#)

- 6.4. The Scholarships Committee has the power to amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
- 6.5. By accepting a Scholarship, the recipient agrees to participate in any publicity concerning the Scholarship arranged by the University of Waikato and/or the Donor.