1. **Purpose**

1.1. The Kamira Henry (Binga) Haggie Scholarship supports high achieving, well-rounded Māori students studying at Master’s level at Te Piringa - Faculty of Law.

2. **Eligibility**

2.1. To be eligible, candidates must:
   a) be eligible for admission and be enrolling full- or part-time in a Master of Laws at Te Piringa - Faculty of Law at the University of Waikato in the year of tenure;
   b) be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident of Māori descent; and,
   c) not have previously been awarded a Kamira Henry (Binga) Haggie Scholarship.

2.2 Candidates employed by the University of Waikato will not be eligible for the Scholarship however, employment as a sessional assistant, or similar, may be permitted.

3. **Value**

3.1. The Scholarship will have a value of up to $5,000 and in any year, the sum may be divided between multiple recipients.

3.2. The Scholarship will be paid in one lump sum to the recipient upon confirmation that the candidate is fully enrolled in an approved programme of study.

4. **Application**

4.1. The closing dates for applications is **15 August**.

4.2. Along with the prescribed application form, each candidate must submit:
   a) a covering letter detailing their involvement in Māori processes and systems at Te Piringa – Faculty of Law and their community;
   b) a CV (no more than four A4 pages in length),
   c) a one page summary of their personal and financial circumstances, including income and employment, and details of any other scholarships and/or awards that they hold and any applications in progress; and
   d) an academic reference from the candidate’s academic supervisor or a member of the academic staff at the institution at which the candidate completed the qualification that defines their eligibility for entry into the Te Piringa - Faculty of Law Graduate Programme.

4.3. Applicants 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 Criteria**

5.1. The Scholarship will be offered on the basis of academic merit, personal circumstances, and commitment to their whanau, hapū and iwi.

5.2. Assessment of academic merit will focus primarily on the candidate’s most recent 240 points of study i.e. the equivalent of two years’ full-time enrolment.
6. Selection Panel

6.1. The Selection Panel will comprise of Kuia Mrs Elizabeth Haggie, a representative of Te Piringa – Faculty of Law staff (as nominated by the Dean) and the Faculty’s representative on the Scholarships Committee (or their nominees).

6.2. The Selection Panel will submit their recommendations to the Scholarships Executive for final approval and their decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into once the decision is made.

6.3. The Scholarships Executive may refrain from awarding the Scholarship if it finds no candidate of sufficient merit.

7. Awarding

7.1. The successful candidates will be offered the Scholarship on condition that they enrol full- or part-time in a Master of Laws at Te Piringa - Faculty of Law at the University of Waikato in the year of tenure.

7.2. The offer of a Scholarship must be accepted by the date indicated on the accept/decline form. If an applicant declines a Scholarship, or does not take it up, the Scholarship may be offered to another applicant.

7.3. The Scholarship will have a tenure of one year and must be taken up in the year for which it is offered.

7.4. If the scholar withdraws from the programme, or fails to make progress deemed satisfactory by the Associate Dean (Graduate/Postgraduate Studies) and/or the Scholarships Committee, they may be required to refund the Scholarship on a pro rata basis.

8. Other Conditions

8.1. This scholarship may only be held by a candidate on one occasion only.

8.2. The Scholarship may be held together with other awards unless the conditions of the other funding preclude this.

8.3. Recipients can hold a position as a sessional assistant with the University while on Scholarship however, they cannot be employed on a permanent or full-time basis by the University.

8.4. The Scholarships Executive may terminate a Scholarship at any time and recoup any funds awarded, if it is not satisfied that the recipient is following the required programme or is not otherwise complying with the conditions governing the Scholarship and/or the regulations of the University of Waikato. The holder of a Scholarship shall have the right to appeal to the Research Committee against any decision to terminate an award.

8.5. The University may from time to time vary these regulations.

8.6. By accepting a Scholarship, the recipient agrees to participate in any publicity concerning the scholarship arranged by the University of Waikato.