

The New Zealand NCUK University of Waikato Bursary (hereafter Award) was established in 2020 to support international students completing NCUK pathway programmes (www.ncuk.ac.uk) to progress to study at the University of Waikato. An unlimited number of Awards are available to NCUK graduates who meet the below eligibility requirements and are progressing to face-to-face degree-level study at the University of Waikato in New Zealand.

No application is required. All applications for study at the University of Waikato will be made directly by NCUK staff on behalf of the student. These applications will be reviewed by the University of Waikato International and Engagement Office for eligibility and available funding prior to them providing a nomination to the University Scholarships Team. The process of offering and awarding will start once a Scholarships Advisor has received the completed nomination. Prior to offer, the Scholarships Advisor will seek approval of the award from the Chair of the Scholarships Committee.

1. Eligibility and nomination

1.1. **To be eligible for nomination**, nominees must meet all the following criteria:

- 1.1.1. have completed the NCUK International Foundation Year, International Year One or Master's Preparation Programme.
- 1.1.2. not be classified as a domestic student.
- 1.1.3. not currently be enrolled at the University of Waikato.
- 1.1.4. not be enrolling or intending to enrol in:
 - a programme of study with a quota (e.g., Master of Nursing Practice, Master of Pharmacy Practice).
 - a postgraduate teaching programme (e.g., Master of Teaching and Learning).
- 1.1.5. not have paid tuition fees or applied for a visa at the time the nomination is received.
- 1.1.6. be applying to enrol for the first time into an undergraduate or postgraduate level programme at the University of Waikato.
- 1.1.7. have received an unconditional offer of place from the University of Waikato.

1.2. **To maintain eligibility, recipients** must during the scholarship tenure:

- 1.2.1. be commencing a full-time programme/s of study in an eligible degree-programme.

- 1.2.2. reside in New Zealand for the entire tenure of the award and remain studying full-time on campus in New Zealand.
- 1.2.3. maintain international student status within the University's student system during the entire tenure of the scholarship. Any change in status will result in the scholarship being fully or partly removed from the student's account. E.g., should a recipient withdraw from study after one trimester of study, the pro-rated scholarship value will be removed.
- 1.2.4. must not be coming to the University of Waikato via a sponsoring body.¹

2. Value, Tenure and Awarding

- 2.1. The value of the Award is fixed by entry level as follows (in NZD) and will be applied directly to the recipient's tuition fees in the first trimester of study once their enrolment is completed. The total value offered is a contribution towards tuition fees only, and all remaining tuition fees and other costs must be met through other means:
 - 2.1.1. Students progressing from the NCUK International Foundation Year (IFY) to Year 1 of all bachelor's degrees at the University of Waikato will be awarded \$15,000.
 - 2.1.2. Students progressing from the NCUK International Year One (IYOne) to Year 2 of Business and Engineering bachelor's degrees at the University of Waikato will be awarded \$10,000.
 - 2.1.3. Students progressing from the NCUK Master's Preparation Programme (MPP) to all eligible postgraduate programmes of 120pts² or more at the University of Waikato will be awarded \$5,000.
- 2.2. Successful applicants will receive an offer through their MyWaikato portal which is valid for 14 days; the offer must be accepted by the due date, or the offer will lapse.
- 2.3. After acceptance of the Award recipients will receive an official offer letter as confirmation. This letter may be included with their student visa application.
- 2.4. In accepting the Award, the recipient will be deemed to have:
 - 2.4.1. read, understood, and accepted the conditions of the Award and the [Scholarships Policy](#).
 - 2.4.2. agreed to participate, if required, in any promotional activity and events organised by the University of Waikato during the tenure of the Award
- 2.5. The Award must be taken up in the year for which it is offered. If for any reason a

¹ Examples of a sponsoring body are: governments, institutions and employers who fund student scholarships for study.

² All postgraduate programmes of 120 points or more, except the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) and Master of Philosophy (MPhil) are eligible.

recipient is unable to take up their offer of the award in the year/Trimester for which it is offered, they may request a deferral of their award. This request must be made through the [Scholarship Variation Request Form](#). Only one deferral is possible and will only be considered for the next programme intake, and must be approved by staff of the International and Engagement Office.

3. Other Conditions

- 3.1. The Award cannot be held in conjunction with any other University of Waikato funded tuition fees offering, nor can it be held in conjunction with any Education New Zealand or New Zealand Government funded scholarships.
- 3.2. This Award is not refundable to the student.
- 3.3. 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 any tax implications.
- 3.4. The Scholarships Committee may terminate this Award at any time, and recoup any funds disbursed, if the holder withdraws from the University of Waikato, brings the Award or the University into disrepute³, or is otherwise not complying with the conditions governing the Award and/or the regulations of the University of Waikato. The holder of an Award shall have the right to appeal to the Scholarships Executive against any decision to terminate the Award.
- 3.5. The recipient will have the right to appeal against any decision to terminate an Award by writing to scholarships@waikato.ac.nz who will forward the appeal to the relevant Committee for consideration.
- 3.6. 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.

³ See [Code of Student Conduct](#).