

[The Artemis Foundation](#) Scholarship was established in 2019 by University of Waikato alumni Victor Li. Victor, who has completed an MBA at the University of Cambridge, aimed to support students facing financial or personal hardships as they continue their university studies. The funds are held in trust by the University of Waikato Foundation and one scholarship will be awarded annually until 2027 when it is anticipated that the funds will be fully depleted.

## 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 in area relating to education, business or environmental sustainability at the University of Waikato.

## 2. Eligibility and Selection Criteria

- 2.1. **To be eligible** applicants must meet all the following criteria:

- 2.1.1. 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.
- 2.1.2. be studying in an area relating to Education, Business, or Environmental Sustainability (or a combination of the three).
- 2.1.3. have achieved at least a B+ average in their previous year(s) of study at University of Waikato.
- 2.1.4. Be eligible for domestic fees status (i.e. be a NZ Citizen, NZ Permanent Resident, NZ Residential Class Visa holder, or Australian Citizen/Permanent Resident domiciled in NZ).

- 2.2. Previous recipients of this Scholarship may apply again but must have passed all papers during the year they were supported by the Scholarship.

- 2.3. In **selecting recipients**, the Selection Panel will:

- 2.3.1. take into particular consideration academic potential and financial hardship and/or extraordinary personal circumstances.
- 2.3.2. give preference to female students as per the values of the [Artemis Foundation](#).

- 2.4. To **maintain eligibility** recipients must during the scholarship tenure:

- 2.4.1. enrol full-time (120-points).
- 2.4.2. be enrolled in the area relating to Education, Business or Environmental Sustainability.

## 3. Value, Tenure and Awarding

- 3.1. The Scholarship value is **\$7,000 allocated as follows:**

- 3.1.1. **\$5,000** credited directly to the recipient's University of Waikato tuition fees (not including Student Services Fee) in the year of tenure.

- 3.1.2. **\$2,000** paid directly to the recipient after the withdrawal date of the first trimester.
- 3.2. The successful applicant 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.
- 3.3. In accepting the Scholarship, the recipient will be deemed to have:
  - 3.3.1. read, understood, and accepted the conditions of the Scholarship, and the [Scholarships Policy](#).
  - 3.3.2. agreed to be participate in any publicity concerning the Scholarship by the University of Waikato or Sponsor.
  - 3.3.3. To be contacted by staff of the University of Waikato Development Office regarding the scholarship.
- 3.4. 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.
- 3.5. 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 complete the online application form which includes the following:
  - 4.2.1. Why completing their degree is important to the candidate and their future ambitions.
  - 4.2.2. Financial hardship – what steps are you currently taking to alleviate your financial hardships?
  - 4.2.3. Any other extraordinary personal circumstances that may hinder the candidate's ability to complete their degree (if applicable); and
  - 4.2.4. Any other information that may be of relevance to the Selection Panel.

#### **5. Selection Panel**

- 5.1. The Selection Panel will comprise of the Chair of the Scholarships Committee (Or nominee) as Chair, one academic staff member from a relevant discipline (appointed by the Chair), and the donor (or nominee).
- 5.2. The Selection Panel may refrain from making a decision if it finds no candidate of sufficient merit.
- 5.3. The Selection Panel's decisions are final and no further correspondence will be entered into following the selection meeting.

#### **6. Other Conditions**

- 6.1. 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.
- 6.2. 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.
- 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 or Sponsor into disrepute<sup>1</sup>, 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.
- 6.4. The fees portion of 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.
- 6.5. Recipients should seek independent financial advice about any tax implication of their scholarship.
- 6.6. The Scholarships Committee has the power to amend or vary these regulations in consultation with the donor provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

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