The University of Waikato International Progression Bursary - 2023



The University of Waikato International Progression Bursary (hereafter Award) was established in 2022, to promote educational opportunities, foster internationalisation and support talented international students to progress from undergraduate to postgraduate level for the first time at the University of Waikato.

No application is required. Eligible students will be identified by the International Office who will forward details to the Scholarships Team. The award will be applied to tuition fees only and is not transferrable. All values are in NZD.

1. Eligibility and nomination

- 1.1. To be eligible for an offer of the bursary, students must:
 - 1.1.1. not be classified as a domestic student;
 - 1.1.2. be due to complete their undergraduate degree programme at the University of Waikato within the next six months.
 - 1.2. To maintain eligibility and receive the bursary, recipients must:
 - 1.2.1. enrol full-time in a postgraduate programme of study in the **next intake** for that programme of study.
 - 1.2.2. remain enrolled full-time during the Award tenure.
 - 1.2.3. not have some or all of the tuition fees funded through another means by the University of Waikato.
 - 1.2.4. not be coming to the University of Waikato via a sponsoring body¹.
 - 1.2.5. not be coming to the University of Waikato on a Guaranteed Credit Arrangement², or through a study abroad or student exchange agreement.
 - 1.2.6. not be represented by an education agency at any point in the application or enrolment process, unless agreed otherwise with the International Office.
 - 1.2.7. maintain 'international student' status within the University's student management system during the entire tenure of the award.

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

² Guaranteed credit arrangements are where an institution outside of New Zealand has a formal agreement with the University of Waikato whereby a student can study part of their degree at the partner institution and credit that study towards 1 to 2 years of study at the University of Waikato.

2. Value, Tenure and Awarding

- 2.1. The Award values are as follows:
 - 2.1.1. **\$5,000** for those undertaking a 120-point programme of study;
 - 2.1.2. **\$10,000** for those undertaking a 180-240 point programme of study, including those on a postgraduate pathway towards 180-240 point programmes of study.
- 2.2. The Award will be applied directly to the recipient's tuition fees only for their chosen programme/s of study once their enrolment is completed.
- 2.3. Where enrolment spans more than one year, or includes a postgraduate pathway, the award will be applied pro-rata across both years/postgraduate programmes of study.
- 2.4. The tenure is for one year and is valid only within the year(s) for which it is awarded.
- 2.5. Recipients will receive a letter confirming their eligibility and the amount to be awarded.
- 2.6. Offers of the Award must be accepted online by the due date, or the offer will lapse.
- 2.7. In accepting the Award, the recipient will be deemed to have read, understood, and accepted the conditions of the Award and the <u>Scholarships</u> <u>Policy</u>.
- 2.8. The Award cannot normally be deferred. In exceptional circumstances, a deferral request may be submitted via the <u>Scholarship Variation Request</u> <u>Form</u>. Such requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis by the Scholarships Committee and International Office.

3. Other Conditions

- 3.1. The Award cannot be held in conjunction with any other University of Waikatofunded tuition or accommodation fees scholarship or award, nor can it be held in conjunction with any Education New Zealand 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 University of Waikato 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 International Office 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 <u>scholarships@waikato.ac.nz</u> who will forward the appeal to the relevant Committee for consideration.
- 3.6. Recipients of this Award agree to participate, if required, in any promotional activity and events organised by the University of Waikato during the tenure of the Award. Recipients will be contacted directly by UOW staff if required.
- 3.7. The Scholarships Committee has the power to amend or vary these regulations, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Award.

³See <u>Code of Student Conduct</u>.