

# AUEA Pacific Engineering Pathway Award

<b>Code:</b>	935
<b>Faculty:</b>	Engineering
<b>Applicable study:</b>	First year of full-time study for a BE(Hons) undergraduate degree programme at the University of Auckland
<b>Closing date:</b>	10 October 2024
<b>Tenure:</b>	One year
<b>For:</b>	Assistance with study
<b>Number on offer:</b>	Up to three
<b>Offer rate:</b>	Annually
<b>Value:</b>	\$2,500-\$10,000

## Description

The Award was established in 2017 and is funded by the Auckland University Engineers Association (AUEA) Inc.

The main purpose of the Award is to provide financial and mentoring assistance to first year Pacific students who have achieved academically, have demonstrated leadership potential, and have demonstrated active participation in community, cultural and other activities, and have demonstrated commitment to, or interest in, the BE(Hons) degree programme.

## Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- Short-listed applicants may be required to attend an interview
- The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

## Regulations

1. The Award will be known as the AUEA Pacific Engineering Pathway Award.
2. Up to three Awards will be made annually, each for a period of up to one year and will be of the value starting from \$2,500 with the discretion to go up to \$10,000 each. In addition to the financial reward, each awardee will be provided with Tuākana mentoring and tutoring by senior students in the Faculty and a mentor drawn from the engineering industry.
3. The Award may be offered to Pacific students (see note III) who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand, currently in their final year at a New Zealand secondary school and intending to enrol full-time in a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (BE(Hons)) degree or associated conjoint degree in the Faculty of Engineering at the University of Auckland in the following year. In the case of a gap year, the student must have been enrolled in their final year at a New Zealand secondary school in the year immediately prior to the year of application.
4. To take up and be paid the Award, candidates must be enrolled and have paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees,

for full-time enrolment in a BE(Hons) at the University of Auckland.

5. The basis of selection will be academic ability based on results at Level 2 or higher in the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) or an equivalent qualification and demonstrated all round ability (as evidenced by achievement in sports or arts activities) or leadership potential and community involvement, evidence of financial need (see Note I), first in family to attend University (see Note II), evidence of a disability, or lower socio-economic status, and demonstrated commitment and desire to study engineering.
6. To go into payment of the Award, the recipient must have met the University Entrance standard and gained entry to the BE(Hons) either by the guaranteed admission rank scores or the Māori and Pacific Targeted Entry Scheme (MAPTES); or transferred into the BE(Hons) in Semester Two through the Alternative pathway via Faculty of Science (see notes IV-VI).
7. As a condition of tenure, recipients will be required to maintain a passing grade point average (GPA) in each semester of study (see Note VII).
8. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the President of the AUEA (or nominee), the Kaiārahi of the Faculty of Engineering (or nominee) and one member of Academic Staff from the Faculty of Engineering, nominated by the Dean of Engineering.
9. The Award will be paid in two equal lump sums in the third week of Semesters One and Two. Students transferring to a BE(Hons) through the Alternative pathway will be paid in one instalment in Semester Two (see Note VI).
10. The Award may not be held concurrently with an AUEA Māori Engineering Pathway Scholarship, a University of Auckland Top Achiever Scholarship, a University of Auckland Māori Academic Excellence Scholarship, a University of Auckland Pacific Academic Excellence Scholarship or a University of Auckland Academic Potential Scholarship. However, it may be held with any other scholarship, award or grant as long as a) the terms of that scholarship, award or grant permit and b) the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves. It is the responsibility of the recipient to declare to the Scholarships Office all other grant, award or scholarship funding received while in payment for this Award.
11. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the donor, has the power to terminate or suspend an award if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Dean of Engineering.
12. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if in any year there are not candidates of sufficient merit.
13. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the donor, has the power to amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Award.
14. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 10 October of the year preceding the year of the award.
15. Notes [I]-[XII] below are deemed to be Regulations.

## Notes

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- I. *Financial need will be determined by a range of factors including eligibility for a Study Link Student Allowance, and personal and financial circumstances.*
- II. *For the purpose of this Award, 'first in family' to attend university means the first member in their family, including parents and siblings, to enrol at a university. Adoptive and step parents and siblings are considered part of the nuclear family where they have lived with the applicant for the previous five or more years.*
- III. *Pacific applicants are defined as citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand who are of indigenous Pacific descent from any of the following islands: Samoa, American Samoa, Tonga, Cook Islands, Niue, Tokelau, Fiji, Rotuma, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Kiribati, Tuvalu, Palau, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Wallis and Futuna, Hawaii, French Polynesia, Rapanui (Easter Island), Nauru.*
- IV. *Guaranteed admission rank scores are at least an NCEA rank score of 260 (including 17 Level 3 credits in Calculus and 16 Level 3 credits in Physics), a CIE rank score of 310 (including Mathematics and Physics at A Levels) or an IB score of 33 (including Mathematics and Physics at HL Levels).*
- V. *Students wishing to be considered for a place under the MAPTES must complete the required application directly to the Faculty of Engineering.*

- VI. *Subject to the availability of places in Part I of the BE(Hons), the Faculty will consider for admission in Semester Two students who achieve a minimum GPA of 5.00 across 60 points of agreed study in a Bachelor of Science (BSc).*
- VII. *For the purposes of this Award, the recipient's grade point average (GPA) is based on all the courses they undertake in each semester of study.*
- VIII. *Except in cases where there are compelling medical reasons or adverse personal circumstances beyond a student's control, the uptake of scholarships and awards cannot be deferred. Students who are offered an AUEA Pacific Engineering Pathway Award but who do not take it up in the year of offer may request that their application be reconsidered in the intake of applications for the year immediately following.*
- IX. *Recipients must be enrolled continuously in their programme of study. Deferrals for students who have already commenced their degree will not usually be approved unless there are compelling medical or adverse personal circumstances beyond the student's control.*
- X. *Deferral requests must be made in writing to the Scholarships Office.*
- XI. *If a student enrolls at another tertiary institution in New Zealand, the scholarship will lapse.*
- XII. *Payments under the terms of this Award remain tax-free as long as they are used directly for the payment of costs associated with an awardee's programme of study. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Award.*