

# Bachelor of Design Game-Changer Scholarship

<b>Code:</b>	1044
<b>Faculty:</b>	Engineering and Design
<b>Applicable study:</b>	Any year of a Bachelor of Design or Bachelor of Design conjoint degree
<b>Closing date:</b>	11 March 2026
<b>Tenure:</b>	One year
<b>For:</b>	Assistance with study
<b>Number on offer:</b>	One
<b>Offer rate:</b>	Annually
<b>Value:</b>	\$5,000

## Description

The Scholarship was established in 2019 and is funded by the Faculty of Engineering and Design.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage students to take their passion for design to make changes for the benefit of society.

## Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- The Scholarship is awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

## Regulations

1. The Scholarship will be known as the Bachelor of Design Game-Changer Scholarship.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually, for a period of up to one year and will be of the value of up to \$5,000.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be enrolled, or enrolling, full-time in any year of a Bachelor of Design or Bachelor of Design conjoint degree programme in the Faculty of Engineering and Design at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland. Conjoint students must be enrolled in at least 60 points of Design courses in the year of the award to be eligible for consideration.
4. The Scholarship is tenable by international and domestic students.
5. The basis of selection will be academic achievement (see Note II) and the applicant's passion for design and how they can be a game-changer in the field, particularly for the benefit of society, as assessed by a personal statement (see Note III).
6. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Design (or nominee), the Director of Design (or nominee) and a member of academic staff from the Faculty of Engineering and Design nominated by the Dean.
7. The Scholarship will be paid in two equal instalments in Semester One and Two as soon as is practical after confirmation of the awardee's enrolment (that is, after the final date on which a student may add or delete courses

without incurring a late enrolment fee).

8. To be paid the Scholarship, the awardee must be enrolled full-time in a Bachelor of Design or Bachelor of Design conjoint degree. Conjoint students must be enrolled in at least 60 points of Design courses to receive payment. Payment of the second instalment is conditional on the awardee maintaining a grade point average (GPA) of at least 5.00 (equivalent to a B average) in each semester of study (see Note IV).
9. The Scholarship may not be held concurrently with a University of Auckland Top Achiever Scholarship, 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 the regulations for that scholarship, award or grant permit and the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves. It is the responsibility of the awardee to declare to the Scholarships Office all other scholarships, awards or grant funding received and for which the awardee receives payment while also in payment for this Scholarship.
10. The University of Auckland Council has the power to terminate or suspend a scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress by a Scholar from the Associate Dean (Academic) of the Faculty of Engineering and Design.
11. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there is no candidate that meets the criteria and/or no candidate of sufficient merit.
12. Payments under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax-free as long as they are used for the payment of costs associated with an awardee's programme of study and/or to assist the awardee with living costs while studying (see Note I). Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.
13. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the Faculty of Engineering and Design, can amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
14. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 11 March in the year of the award.
15. Notes [I]-[VI] below are deemed to be Regulations.

## Notes

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- I. The tax-free status of this Scholarship is under current legislation. The University of Auckland cannot guarantee this tax-free outcome.*
- II. For the purpose of this Scholarship, academic achievement for students entering Year One is based on results at Level Two or higher in the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) or an equivalent qualification. For students enrolling in Year Two, academic achievement is assessed as a Scholarships grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) obtained over the applicant's first year of full-time graded study. For students enrolling in Year Three, academic achievement is assessed as the GPA/GPE obtained over the most recent two years of fulltime graded study (or equivalent).*
- III. Applicants will be requested to give permission for their personal statement to be used in promotional activities for the Bachelor of Design programme.*
- IV. For the purposes of this Scholarship, the awardee's grade point average (GPA) is based on all the courses they undertake in each semester of study.*
- V. If a student enrolls at another tertiary institution in New Zealand, the scholarship will be forfeited.*
- VI. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and must notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that an awardee is not complying with these Regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.*