

# **Energy Education Trust Masters Scholarship**

Code:	1104
Faculty:	All
Applicable study:	Masters study in energy-related field
Closing date:	3 April 2025
Tenure:	One year
For:	Assistance with study
Number on offer:	Up to 5 offered to participating universities
Offer rate:	Annually
Value:	Up to \$8,000 each

## **Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2020 and is funded by the Energy Education Trust of New Zealand.

The intention of the Scholarship is to encourage and support students to undertake a masters programme at the University of Auckland with a specific interest in the energy needs of New Zealand.

#### Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- The Trustee assesses the applications
- Short-listed candidates will be required to attend an interview
- Nominated candidates are put forward to a National Selection Committee
- The Scholarship is awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the National Selection Committee

### Regulations

- 1. The Scholarship will be known as the Energy Education Trust Masters Scholarship.
- 2. Up to five Scholarship will be awarded nationally each year, each for a period of one year, and will be of the value of up to \$8,000 each.
- 3. The Scholarship may be awarded to students who meet all the requirements of these regulations and enrol full-time at the University of Auckland in the first 120 points of a masters degree with a specific focus on the energy needs of New Zealand. Students who are enrolled in a masters programme of more than 120 points must be enrolled in the first year of the degree at the time of take-up of the Scholarship to be eligible for consideration.
- 4. To take up and be paid the Scholarship, recipients must be enrolled full-time at the University of Auckland in the first 120 points of a masters degree with a specific focus on the energy needs of New Zealand.
- 5. The Scholarship is tenable by students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.
- 6. The initial basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) calculated over the most recent qualifying programme, the relevance of their study to the energy

needs of New Zealand, the candidate's job/project experience or interest in energy, their future study and employment plans, their desire to succeed and community involvement, as evidenced by a personal statement and references. One reference will be an academic reference from the faculty in which the student is enrolled. A GPA/GPE of at least 7.00 (6.50 for Māori and Pacific candidates) in their most recent qualifying programme for study is required for scholarship consideration (see Note I).

- 7. Applications will be reviewed and short-listed by a Preliminary Selection Committee comprising two representatives of the Donor. The preliminary Selection Committee may recommend up to eight candidates to the National Selection Committee. Shortlisted candidates will be required to attend an interview.
- 8. The National Selection Committee, comprising two trustees of the Energy Education Trust of New Zealand, will consider the candidates' applications and the report of the Preliminary Selection Committee.
- 9. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of the National Selection Committee of the Energy Education Trust of New Zealand.
- 10. Payment will be made in one lump sum upon award.
- 11. The Scholarship may be held with any other scholarship, award or grant where the Regulations for that scholarship, award or grant permit and where the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves. It is the responsibility of the recipient 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.
- 12. The University of Auckland Council 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.
- 13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 3 April in the year of the award.
- 14. Notes [I] [IV] below are deemed to be Regulations.

#### Notes

- I. The most recent qualifying programme is defined as the most recently completed programme of study that qualifies the applicant for entry to the masters programme for which they are applying. Where the qualifying programme is a conjoint programme the GPA/GPE will be calculated over the relevant component of the conjoint programme. The maximum approved exchange or transfer credit that can be excluded from the GPA/GPE calculation for the qualifying programme is 60 points. Where the most recently completed programme is a Transitional Certificate, the qualifying programme is the Transitional Certificate and the most recently completed prior programme.
- *II.* As a condition of accepting this scholarship, recipients will be required to submit to the Scholarships Office a brief report outlining the progress of their studies during their tenure of the Scholarship.
- III. 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 to assist the awardee with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.
- IV. Recipients of an Energy Education Trust Masters Scholarship will be required to give undertakings that they will comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and will notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. The University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that a recipient of an Energy Education Trust Masters Scholarship is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received.