

# Mokaraka Māori Women in Business Scholarship

<b>Code:</b>	1055
<b>Faculty:</b>	Business
<b>Applicable study:</b>	Māori women students currently enrolled in the Business School
<b>Closing date:</b>	22 February 2024
<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>	Up to \$15,000

## Description

The Scholarship was established in 2019 and is funded by Melanie Smith, an alumnus of the University of Auckland.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support young Māori women studying in the University of Auckland Business School.

## 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 Mokaraka Māori Women in Business 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 \$15,000. Awardees of the Scholarship may apply again for a second and third year. Payment and tenure will be pro-rated for part-time study.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a Māori woman student, ii) a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand, and iii) enrolled, or enrolling, full-time or part-time in an undergraduate or postgraduate programme in the Business School at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland. A grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 6.00 is required for Scholarship consideration (see Note I).
4. The basis of selection will be academic achievement and a personal statement outlining their study and career plans, and future intentions to provide a similar contribution to another Māori women student.
5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Business School (or nominee), the Associate Dean (Māori and Pacific Development) (or nominee) and a representative of the Donor.
6. To be paid the Scholarship, the awardee must be enrolled full-time or part-time in an undergraduate or postgraduate programme in the Business School at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland.

7. The Scholarship will be paid as a fortnightly stipend. Payment will commence 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). Payment and tenure will be pro-rated for part-time study.
8. The Scholarship 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.
9. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the donor, has the power to terminate or suspend a scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Dean of the Business School.
10. 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.
11. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the donor, can amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 21 February in the year of the award.
13. Notes [I]-[III] below are deemed to be Regulations.

## Notes

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- I. For the purpose of this scholarship, academic merit 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. A GPE of 6.00 is equivalent to an NCEA rank score of 270 or a CIE rank score of 330. For students entering Year Two, academic merit 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 entering Year Three or subsequent years, academic merit is assessed as a Scholarships GPA or GPE obtained over the applicant's most recent two years of full-time graded study.*
- II. Payments under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax-free as long as they are used directly for the payment of costs associated with an awardee's programme of study and/or to assist the awardee with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.*
- III. 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 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.*