

University of Auckland Partnership Appeal Award

Code:	390, 392
Faculty:	All
Applicable study:	Final year of undergraduate or postgraduate degree programme
Closing date:	3 April 2025 and 16 July 2025
Tenure:	Up to one year
For:	To assist students with study related costs in their final year
Number on offer:	Varies
Offer rate:	Twice a year
Value:	\$500 - \$5,000

Description

The University of Auckland Partnership Appeal Award was established in 2002 to assist students who have demonstrated the ability to succeed but are experiencing significant financial hardship in their final year of study. Staff of Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland contributed additional funding in 2020 to support postgraduate students in their final semester of study.

Selection process

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

Regulations

1. The Award shall be known as the University of Auckland Partnership Appeal Award.
2. Awards will be made twice a year and will be of a value between \$500 to \$5,000 each.
3. To be eligible for Award consideration, applicant must be i) a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident (see Note II), and ii) enrolled full-time or part-time in the final year of an undergraduate degree or a postgraduate degree programme at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland.
4. The basis of selection will be academic achievement (see Note III) and financial need as assessed by a personal statement and the criteria at Note IV.
5. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Scholarships and Progression Manager (or nominee), the Chair of the Scholarships Committee (or nominee) and the Director of Alumni Relations and Development (or nominee).
6. The Award will be paid in one lump sum on acceptance of the Award offer.
7. The Award may be held concurrently with any other scholarship, award or grant as long as the regulation 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 Award.

8. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there are no candidates that meet the criteria and/or no candidates of sufficient merit.
9. Payments under the terms of this Award 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 Award.
10. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Award.
11. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 3 April and 16 July in the year of the award.
12. Notes [I]-[V] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

- I. The tax-free status of this Award is under current legislation. The University of Auckland cannot guarantee this tax-free outcome.*
- II. New Zealand Permanent Residents have been granted a Permanent Resident Visa by Immigration New Zealand. For more information visit <https://www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand-visas/already-have-a-visa/becoming-a-permanent-resident>.*
- III. For the purpose of this Award, academic achievement is assessed as the grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) obtained over the applicant's most recent two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent). It is preferable for applicants to have at least a B- average.*
- IV. Financial need will be determined by a range of factors including past or current eligibility for a StudyLink Student Allowance, and personal and financial circumstances. Applicants need to demonstrate that they are experiencing financial hardship and that they are struggling to meet basic living costs. Incurred debt is not evidence of financial need. The University of Auckland Partnership Appeal Award does not fund core course costs.*
- V. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Award 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 Award and require repayment of the funds received.*