

# KiwiPlan NZ Limited Scholarship

Code:	286
Faculty:	Business Engineering Science
Applicable study:	BSc or BAdvSci(Hons) in Computer Science or Information and Technology Management; BCom in Information Systems; or BE(Hons) in Software Engineering (see Reg. 3)
Closing date:	TBC
Tenure:	One year
For:	Assistance
Number on offer:	Up to three
Offer rate:	Annually
Value:	Up to \$4,500 each

## Description

The Scholarship was established in 2000 and is financed by Kiwiplan NZ Limited, an IT (Information Technology) company, specialising in computer systems for the paper packaging industry.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to provide support for computer science students in their final year of study.

### **Selection process**

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- Short-listed candidates may be required to attend an interview
- 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 Kiwiplan NZ Limited Scholarship.
- 2. Up to three Scholarships will be awarded annually, for a period of up to one year, and will be of the value of up to \$4,500 each.
- 3. The Scholarship may be offered to students who are currently enrolled in Stage II of a Bachelor of Science or Year Three of a Bachelor of Advanced Science (Honours) in Computer Science or Information and Technology Management; Stage II of a Bachelor of Commerce in Information Systems; or Part III of a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Software Engineering; for use in their studies in the following year.
- 4. The basis of selection will be academic merit and a personal statement outlining the candidate's study and experience of direct relevance in computer science, excellent communication and interpersonal skills, excellent verbal and written English language skills, ability to work as part of a team as well as independently, excellent project management and problem solving skills, demonstrated skills as a self-starter, interest in the development of software for manufacturing industries and their longer term career aspirations. Successful candidates will have a grade point

average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 6.00 (5.50 for Māori and Pacific candidates). Short-listed candidates may be required to attend an interview.

- 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 Science (or nominee), the Head of the School of Computer Science (or nominee), and a representative from Kiwiplan NZ Limited.
- 6. On confirmation of enrolment for final year of study, the Scholarship will be paid in two equal instalments; one in the first and one in the second semester.
- 7. The Scholarship may be held concurrently 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 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.
- 8. The University of Auckland Council has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Head of the School of Computer Science.
- 9. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if in any year there is no candidate of sufficient merit.
- 10. The University of Auckland Council has power to amend or vary these regulations (in consultation with Kiwiplan NZ Limited) provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
- 11. Nothing in these Regulations prevents Kiwiplan NZ Limited from withdrawing these Scholarships in future years, but it will ensure that a person to whom a Scholarship has been awarded will not be disadvantaged by such a withdrawal.
- 12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on TBC in the year preceding the award.
- 13. Notes [I]-[IV] below are deemed to be regulations.

#### Notes

- I. Academic merit is assessed as the Scholarships GPA/GPE obtained over the applicant's most recent two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent). Where an applicant has not completed two years of full-time study (or equivalent) at the time of application for the scholarship, the Scholarships GPA/GPE will be obtained over all study completed to date.
- II. Successful candidates may be invited to undertake summer vacation employment with KiwiPlan NZ Limited (located in Auckland).
- 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 a Kiwiplan NZ Limited 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 a Kiwiplan NZ Limited Scholarship is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.