

Lincoln University Pasifika Excellence Scholarship

Regulations

1. Purpose

This scholarship was established in 2021 to support Pasifika students who are entering their first year of undergraduate study at Lincoln University and who show strong leadership and engagement in community.

2. Number/Value

The number of scholarships awarded annually shall be decided by the Vice-Chancellor. The scholarship value is up to \$19,000 per year to contribute for three years to cover tuition fees and on-campus accommodation costs. This is processed via a credit to the student's tuition and accommodation accounts.

- a) This amount is payable into the recipients' accommodation account in two equal instalments. These instalments shall be transferred as soon as possible after the last day to withdraw in each academic semester.
- b) Should a scholar withdraw from study at any time during the tenure of the scholarship, the value of the scholarship will not be refunded.
- c) Payment indicated above is only valid for on-campus university accommodation. It does not include payment for any off-campus housing.

Successful applicants will be required to contribute positively to the activities of the Lincoln University Pacific Islands Students' Association throughout the academic year.

3. Eligibility

To be eligible to hold the scholarship applicants shall:

- a) Be of Pasifika descent and a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident.
- b) Have gained NCEA Level Three including University Entrance, or equivalent, prior to registering at Lincoln University, and have attended Secondary School within the last year.
- c) Register for a full time Lincoln University undergraduate degree programme.
- d) Have demonstrated leadership potential in the Pasifika community.

4. Selection Criteria

The criteria for selection shall include all of the following:

- a) Academic merit.
- b) Demonstrated leadership in their community or projects that may include language revitalization, indigenous food practices, church activities or other related community or related areas of relevance.
- c) 2 minute Video Portfolio provided by the applicant demonstrating their engagement in the community.

5. Selection Committee

The scholarship is to be awarded by the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendation of a selection committee, which shall comprise of:

- a) Assistant Vice Chancellor, Māori and Pasifika, or nominee
- b) Convenor of the Lincoln University Academic Administration Committee
- c) Director, Student and Stakeholder Engagement, or nominee

The selection committee may invite short listed candidates to attend an interview.

The selection committee may refrain from making an award if it finds no candidate of sufficient merit.

6. Tenure

- a) The tenure of the scholarship is for the duration of the degree programme while in full-time study (full time is considered to be eight courses over the academic year), while living in the Lincoln University Halls of Residence or the Lincoln University self-catered flats, and while passing all enrolled courses.
- b) The scholarship is only tenable with any other Lincoln University funded scholarship on an exceptional basis.
- c) The scholarship is tenable with any other external scholarship, award or bursary with approval from the Lincoln University Scholarship Convenor.

7. Scholars' Expenses

Scholars are required to pay all other expenses that are incurred by way of enrolment at Lincoln University. All fees not covered by this scholarship must be paid in full by the scholar at the commencement of the scholarship. These include but are not limited to:

- a) Tuition fees and accommodation fees over and above the specified value of the scholarship.
- b) Student Services Levy.

8. Reviews of Progress

- a) The scholar must pass all four courses each semester, or eight courses in a 12-month period, to ensure the continuation of the scholarship.
- b) If the Vice-Chancellor, at any time, is satisfied that the scholar is not diligently pursuing their studies; or is not complying with the conditions of the scholarship; or is not making satisfactory academic progress, then the Vice-Chancellor may suspend or terminate the scholarship.

9. Application

Application forms follow this document.

Completed applications should be emailed to the Scholarships Office by 15 August or 31 March:

scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz

Scholarships Office
Lincoln University

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APPLICATION FORM

Student Information	
Family Name:	
First Name/s:	
Date of Birth:	
Postal address:	
Email address:	
Mobile number:	
Lincoln Student ID Number: <i>(if known)</i>	

Academic Information	
Secondary School Attended: <i>(include years)</i>	
Academic Distinctions:	
Course of Study at Lincoln:	
Please attach copies of your most recent academic results to date.	Tick when attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Are you of Pasifika descent?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Please list your Island nation.	
Please list your Village.	

Leadership Submission	
Please send us a list of your demonstrated leadership in the Pasifika community activities or projects. Please submit this to: scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz	Tick when sent <input type="checkbox"/>

Video Submission	
Please send us a video portfolio (no more than 2 minutes) demonstrating your engagement in their community activities or projects. Please submit this to: scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz	Tick when sent <input type="checkbox"/>

Financial Information	
Please indicate your intended means of financial support. Mark all boxes that apply.	Student Allowance <input type="checkbox"/> Student Loan <input type="checkbox"/> Parental support <input type="checkbox"/> Part-time employment <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please give details)

References	
Please request two confidential letters of reference to support your application. One reference must be a letter from a Community Leader. The other must comment on your character. Ask the referees to return their references directly to the Scholarships Office.	
Please provide the name, title, address, phone number and email address of your two referees:	
Referee 1:	Referee 2:

Declaration: I declare that the information contained in and provided in connection with this application is true and correct. I acknowledge that giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.	
Signature:	Date:

Please submit your application to the Lincoln University Scholarships Office no later than 15 August or 31 March.

Candidates shall submit applications via email to:

Scholarships Office
 Lincoln University

Email: scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz
 Phone: (03) 423-0000
 Website: www.lincoln.ac.nz/scholarships

PRIVACY PROVISIONS

The information requested in this application form and your academic record will be used solely for the purposes of assessing your application for the Scholarship(s) for which you are applying. Personal information contained in this application will be made available to members of the Selection Committee for this award, the membership of which is detailed in the award regulations.

Lincoln University will store your application in a secure place in the event that you are successful in gaining an award or are selected as a reserve candidate for an award, and to destroy your application to preserve its confidentiality in the event that you are unsuccessful in gaining an award.

Should you have reason to believe that information held about you in either your application or your academic record is incorrect, you have the right of access to, and correction of, that information.

Personal references from the persons you have named are obtained on the strict understanding that they are confidential, and you may not have access to those reports without the written authorisation of the author.

I, agree to the above conditions with respect to my scholarship application(s) to Lincoln University.

Signed:.....

Date:.....

ADVICE TO APPLICANTS

Applications must arrive by the date shown on the application form. No undertaking is given to accept late applications.

It is your responsibility to contact your referees, and ask them to send their references to the Scholarships Office. References should be clearly marked with your name and the name of the scholarship(s) for which you are applying. Referees should **not** be asked to send their references to you, as they must have the opportunity to be completely frank. Non receipt of referees reports or incomplete applications may prejudice your eligibility.

If Official documents are requested as part of your scholarship application please do not send original documents. Send only copies that have been certified by a J.P, a solicitor, or a staff member in the university registry. **Unless specifically requested, please do not send a curriculum vitae.** Lincoln University accepts no responsibility to return original documents.

Please do not put your application into any sort of folder. Simply attach all pages with ONE staple in the top left hand corner or email directly to scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz. **All pages should be A4 size.**

If you have any queries regarding your eligibility or how to apply, please contact the Scholarships Office on 0800 10 60 10 or scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz