

# Neil Barr Farm Forestry Foundation Scholarship

## Background

New Zealand Farm Forestry Association (NZFFA) was formed in 1957 and is a network of tree growers practicing sustainable land management in rural New Zealand. The founder of the NZFFA was Neil Barr, a Northland farmer. In 1986, the Neil Barr Farm Forestry Foundation (NBFFF) was created, with the mission – ‘To promote and encourage the planting of trees on farms.’ The NBFFF wishes to support students at Lincoln University who have an affinity with farm forestry in New Zealand.

## Regulations

### 1. Purpose

The NBFFF Scholarship was established in 2023 to promote and encourage an increase in students participating in farm forestry courses at Lincoln University.

### 2. Number/Value

Two scholarships up to a total value of \$ 6000 are offered to fulltime students at Lincoln University.

NBFFF Diploma Scholarship	NBFFF Degree Scholarship
Offered to Diploma in Farm Management students at Lincoln University who aim to complete the course Applied Agroforestry (FORS070).	Offered to Bachelor degree students at Lincoln University who aim to complete Applied Agroforestry (FORS270) and Agroforestry Systems (FORS312) as part of their degree.

Scholarships will be paid in two halves. Successful recipients will be paid half upon enrolment in FORS070 or FORS270 and the remainder will be paid when all other criteria are met. In addition to the eligibility and payment criteria below, scholarship recipients will be offered additional opportunities to engage with the scholarship provider, such as mentoring opportunities and attendance at field days.

### 3. Eligibility

The following table outlines the criteria for the scholarships.

NBFFF Diploma Scholarship	NBFFF Degree Scholarship
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Applicants must be full time students at the time of application.</li><li>b. Applicants must be New Zealand citizens or permanent residents.</li><li>c. Applicants must intend to enter the Diploma in Farm Management and complete Applied Agroforestry.</li><li>d. Successful applicants have to complete this course (achieve a pass grade) in order to receive the full scholarship.</li><li>e. While enrolled in Applied Agroforestry (FORS070) recipients of the scholarship</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Applicants must be full time students at the time of application.</li><li>b. Applicants must be New Zealand citizens or permanent residents.</li><li>c. Applicants must intend to complete Applied Agroforestry (FORS 270) and Agroforestry Systems (FORS 312) as part of their degree.</li><li>d. Successful applicants have to complete these courses (achieve a pass grade) to be eligible to receive the full scholarship.</li></ul>

<p>must attend the annual NZFFA conference (usually in April). Conference travel, attendance and accommodation costs in relation to this conference will also be met by the scholarship provider.</p> <p>f. Scholarship recipients will receive half of their scholarship upon enrolment to Applied Agroforestry (FORS070) and will receive the second half upon successful completion of Applied Agroforestry.</p>	<p>e. While enrolled in Applied Agroforestry (FORS270) recipients of the NZFFA scholarship must attend the annual NZFFA conference (usually in April). Conference travel, attendance and accommodation costs in relation to this conference will also be met by the scholarship provider.</p> <p>f. Scholarship recipients will receive half of their scholarship upon enrolment to Applied Agroforestry (FORS270) and will receive the second half upon successful completion of Applied Agroforestry (FORS 270) and Agroforestry Systems (FORS312).</p>
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#### 4. Selection criteria

The criteria for selection will be:

- a. Affinity for trees and sustainability in a farm forestry context as demonstrated by completion of the writing and reflective tasks associated with the application form, which are set by NBFFA
- b. Academic merit

#### 5. Selection Committee

The scholarship shall be awarded based on a recommendation from a selection committee which shall comprise:

- a. NBFFF trustee
- b. Lincoln University representative from the forestry or diploma program
- c. Lincoln University representative from the Scholarships Committee

The selection committee may request the applicant to attend an interview as part of the selection process.

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

#### 6. Application

Application form is below.

Applications close 30 August.



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### APPLICATION FORM

Student Information	
Family Name:	
First Name/s:	
Date of Birth:	
Ethnicity:	
Postal address:	
Email address:	
Mobile number:	
Lincoln Student ID Number:	

Academic Information	
Course of Study at Lincoln:	
<p>In no more than <u>half</u> a page please answer the following question:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What role do trees play in sustainable farming?</li> </ul>	<p>Tick when attached <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>In no more than <u>half</u> a page provide your reflections on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The NZFFA website posts farm forestry case-study videos (10-12 minutes each), which are good examples of what successful farm forestry entails. View and reflect on the following videos: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><a href="https://www.nzffa.org.nz/members/branches/north-canterbury-branch/branch-member-videos/gary-fleming-mt-grey-homestead-north-canterbury-branch/">https://www.nzffa.org.nz/members/branches/north-canterbury-branch/branch-member-videos/gary-fleming-mt-grey-homestead-north-canterbury-branch/</a></li> <li><a href="https://www.nzffa.org.nz/members/branches/north-canterbury-branch/branch-member-videos/dugald-and-mandy-rutherford-melrose-north-canterbury-branch/">https://www.nzffa.org.nz/members/branches/north-canterbury-branch/branch-member-videos/dugald-and-mandy-rutherford-melrose-north-canterbury-branch/</a></li> <li><a href="https://www.nzffa.org.nz/members/branches/marlborough-branch/branch-member-videos/chris-dawkins-the-pyramid-waihopai-valley-marlborough-branch/">https://www.nzffa.org.nz/members/branches/marlborough-branch/branch-member-videos/chris-dawkins-the-pyramid-waihopai-valley-marlborough-branch/</a></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Tick when attached <input type="checkbox"/></p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o <a href="https://www.nzffa.org.nz/members/branches/gisborne-east-coast-branch/branch-member-videos/nick-seymour-wensleydale-station-gisborne-branch/">https://www.nzffa.org.nz/members/branches/gisborne-east-coast-branch/branch-member-videos/nick-seymour-wensleydale-station-gisborne-branch/</a></li> </ul>	
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References	
<p>Please submit two confidential letters of reference with your application. Ask the referees to return their references to the Scholarships Office or email to <a href="mailto:scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz">scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz</a>. Please ask them to note your name in full and the scholarship name.</p> <p>Please provide the name, title, address, phone number and email address for your two referees:</p>	
Referee 1:	Referee 2:

<p><b>Declaration:</b> I declare that the information contained in and provided in connection with this application is true and correct. <b>I acknowledge that giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.</b></p> <p>If successful, I consent to my name and course of study together with promotional photographs being used for publicity purposes by the Farm Forestry Association New Zealand.</p>	
Signature:	Date:

**Please submit your application to the Lincoln University Scholarships Office no later than 30 August.**

Candidates shall submit applications directly to the following addresses:

Applications to emailed to: [scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz](mailto:scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz)

Scholarships Office      Phone:      (03) 423 0000

Website: [www.lincoln.ac.nz/scholarships](http://www.lincoln.ac.nz/scholarships)

## Terms and Conditions for Scholarship Applicants

Applications must be submitted by the due date advertised on the Application Form. Applications received after the closing date may not be considered.

Where you are asked to provide references or referees in support of your application, it is your responsibility to contact your referees and ask them to send their references to the Scholarships Office direct. References sent to the Scholarships Office 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 references or incomplete applications may prejudice your eligibility. The Scholarships Office may contact your referees to discuss references and your application(s).

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 Justice of the peace, a solicitor, or a staff member in the Lincoln University registry. **Unless specifically requested, please do not send a curriculum vitae.** Lincoln University accepts no responsibility to return any original documents submitted.

Information submitted with your application must be true and correct.

A breach of Lincoln University's policies or procedures, including a disciplinary or code of conduct finding against you, may result in a scholarship being rescinded.

Information provided by you as part of your application, together with information already held by Lincoln University (including your academic record), will be shared with, and considered by, the Scholarship's Selection Committee.

The scholarships advertised by Lincoln University are subject to availability and the advertised offerings may change without notice, prior to award.

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](mailto:scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz)