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	Offered to Bachelor degree students at Lincoln
students at Lincoln University who aim to	University who aim to complete Applied
complete the course Applied Agroforestry	Agroforestry (FORS270) and Agroforestry
(FORS070).	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	
a.	Applicants must be full time students at	a.	Applicants must be full time students at
	the time of application.		the time of application.
b.	Applicants must be New Zealand	b.	Applicants must be New Zealand
	citizens or permanent residents.		citizens or permanent residents.
C.	Applicants must intend to enter the	C.	Applicants must intend to complete
	Diploma in Farm Management and		Applied Agroforestry (FORS 270) and
	complete Applied Agroforestry.		Agroforestry Systems (FORS 312) as
d.	Successful applicants have to complete		part of their degree.
	this course (achieve a pass grade) in	d.	Successful applicants have to complete
	order to receive the full scholarship.		these courses (achieve a pass grade) to
e.	While enrolled in Applied Agroforestry		be eligible to receive the full
	(FORS070) recipients of the scholarship		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.
- f. Scholarship recipients will receive half of their scholarship upon enrolment to Applied Agroforestry (FORSO70) and will receive the second half upon successful completion of Applied Agroforestry.
- 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.
- 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).

4. Selection criteria

The criteria for selection will be:

- 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 1st October.



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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:					
Source of Study at Entooni.					
In no more than half a page please answer the following question:					
What role do trees play in sustainable farming?					
The second of th	Tick when				
	attached				
In no more than half a nage provide your reflections on the	attached 🗆				
In no more than <u>half</u> a page provide your reflections on the following:	Tick when				
 The NZFFA website posts farm forestry case-study videos (10- 					
12 minutes each), which are good examples of what successful	attached				
farm forestry entails. View and reflect on the following videos:					
 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/dugald-and-					
mandy-rutherford-melrose-north-canterbury-branch/					
 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/gisborneeast-coast-branch/branch-member-videos/nick-seymourwensleydale-station-gisborne-branch/

References

Please submit two confidential letters of reference with your application. Ask the referees to return their references to the Scholarships Office or email to scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz. Please ask them to note your name in full and the scholarship name.

Please provide the name, title, address, phone number and email address for 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.

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.

Signature:

Date:

Please submit your application to the Lincoln University Scholarships Office no later than 1st of October.

Candidates shall submit applications directly to the following addresses:

Applications to emailed or sent to:

Scholarships Office

Phone:

(03) 423 0000

Lincoln University

Email:

scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz

PO Box 85084

Lincoln 7647

Christchurch

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 email your application to scholarships@lincon.ac.nz

If you have any queries regarding your eligibility or how to apply, please contact the Scholarships Office on (03) 423 0000 or scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz