



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 \$25,000 per year to contribute for the duration of a 3- or 4-year degree to cover tuition fees, student services fees and on-campus accommodation costs. This is processed via a credit to the student's tuition and accommodation accounts.

- a) The amount for accommodation costs will be payable into the recipients' accommodation account in one payment and shall be transferred as soon as possible in March after the last day to withdraw from the 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) Director, Māori and Pasifika, or nominee
- b) Convenor of the Lincoln University Academic Administration Committee, or nominee
- 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. Review of Progress

- a) The scholar is expected to pass 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.

8. Application

Application forms follow this document.

Completed applications should be emailed to the Scholarships Office by 15 August.

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