

# AUT PASIFIKA COMMUNICATIONS SCHOLARSHIP

## CLOSING DATE: 30 NOVEMBER 2011 (UNDERGRADUATE)

This award is sponsored and organised by AUT's School of Communication Studies in association with the Pacific Islands Media Association (PIMA) for New Zealand resident Pacific Islanders seeking media qualifications. The scholarship is offered to assist one undergraduate full-time student in communication studies.

### AMOUNT AND TYPE OF AWARD

- One scholarship will be awarded per year.
- The scholarship covers tuition fees for a maximum of four papers per semester, and learners services fees.
- The scholarship does not cover the Students' Association fee.

### TENURE

- The tenure of this scholarship is for one year full-time.

### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- AUT & PIMA Scholarship Application Form.
- Academic Transcript.
- Signed Terms of Reference & Selection Criteria form.
- Endorsement of support from one or more of the following:
  - Community Leader.
  - School Principal.
- A written explanation of how you meet the criteria of the scholarship.
- Curriculum Vitae.

### CRITERIA

- The successful applicant will be chosen according to the following criteria:
  - Demonstrated commitment to their respective community, measured by: Personal maturity; communication skills; leadership attributes within School community; involvement in general community projects and activities.
  - Academic excellence measured by overall meritorious academic performance in secondary school.

- A Pasifika student who at the time of their application has been accepted onto a programme of study in the School of Communication Studies at AUT, including the Graduate Diploma in Pacific Journalism.

### SELECTION

- Applicants will be short-listed by a selection panel from the School of Communication Studies Equity and Diversity Committee.
- Short-listed applicants will attend an interview. The interview panel may consist of representatives from the Pacific Island Media Association, School of Communication Studies, AUT, Pacific Media Centre, and a Pasifika representative from the Office of Pasifika Advancement.

### CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE AND RENEWAL

This scholarship may not be held in conjunction with any other fees scholarship.

- The recipient may hold additional non-tuition fee based scholarships with the approval of the Head of Department and the Scholarships Office.
- All recipients must maintain regular contact with designated AUT Student Services Pasifika Support Centre Staff.
- As a Pasifika Scholarship recipient you will be required to undertake at least one community/promotional activity for both the School and PIMA, such as:
  - The annual PIMA conference.
  - The Polyfest.
  - AUT Open Days and Māori/Pasifika Days.
- All recipients must provide a report giving evidence of their community/promotional activity to the School Programme Leader, Student Matters.