

Barry and Laurie Green Bilateral Exchange Scholarship AUT to Trent - Semester 2 2027

DESCRIPTION

The Barry and Laurie Green Bilateral Exchange Scholarship was established in 2026 to support a collaborative international exchange student programme between Trent University and Auckland University of Technology (AUT), and with the generous support from the Barry and Laurie Green Family Charitable Trust (the “Donors”).

The primary objectives are for the scholarship and exchange program to promote engagement with Indigenous perspectives, education, and community partnerships while fostering academic, cultural, and personal development amongst the participants. During the exchange program, it is intended that students will engage in Indigenous-focused learning opportunities and act as ambassadors for their home institutions.

The goals of the scholarship are to:

- Empower students to engage deeply with Indigenous knowledge systems in both Aotearoa New Zealand and Canada
- Support students in developing intercultural skills, empathy, and respect through lived experiences of Indigenous led learning approaches in each country
- Strengthen student understanding of truth and reconciliation commitments and how these shape education and community life in both Aotearoa New Zealand and Canada
- Provide opportunities for students to build meaningful, lifelong connections with peers, mentors, and Indigenous communities across both countries
- Enhance student capacity to contribute to inclusive, respectful, and culturally grounded campus environments at home and abroad
- Develop graduates who are globally aware, socially responsible, and equipped to apply Indigenous perspectives in their personal, academic, and professional journeys

VALUE AND TYPE OF AWARD

The Scholarship is intended to support student mobility, including flights, accommodation, comprehensive travel and health insurance, and a stipend to support living costs. Tuition fees (paid to AUT) will remain the responsibility of the participating students.

- Return flights between Auckland and Ontario, Canada (in Economy seating)
- Accommodation on campus at Trent University in Lady Eaton Annex (single room)
- Residential dining plan on campus at Trent (suite style)
- Comprehensive travel & medical insurance
- Living cost stipend of \$3500 CAD, paid on arrival

Three scholarships are available for Semester Two 2027 (Fall Semester at Trent University).

This scholarship is intended to be offered on a recurring basis for three students from AUT to attend Trent University annually, in Trent’s Fall Semester /AUT’s Semester Two period. AUT will also welcome three students from Trent on an annual basis, under the reciprocal exchange model.

TENURE

- The tenure of this scholarship is for one semester.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Applicants for this Scholarship must:

- Have confirmation of academic support for a Proposed Courses Plan, showing intended courses to be taken while on exchange at Trent University at the point of application, with an approved study plan prior to the start of the exchange semester.
- Be enrolled full-time at AUT and have completed at least one year of full-time study in an undergraduate programme (or equivalent) by the commencement of the semester of exchange.
- Have achieved the academic requirements of the AUT Global exchange programme.
 - *A minimum GPA of 5.0 is required for consideration for the exchange programme. Successful candidates need to maintain this average up until the exchange begins. Candidates with a GPA of 4.5-4.99 may be considered on a case-by-case basis.*
- Demonstrate a genuine commitment to Indigenous perspectives and reconciliation efforts.
- Preference may be given to Māori and/or Indigenous Pacific students, where eligible applicants exceed spaces available.

Find out the full eligibility criteria and more about applying for this opportunity [here](#)

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Application is through the online [AUT GLOBAL | Trent University Exchange & Scholarship Application Form](#).

Applicants must provide a personal introduction in video format, in addition to answering the following prompts, in video or short essay format, which speak to the applicant's:

1. Connection to Indigeneity and/or commitment to Indigenous perspectives, Indigenous-led learning, and truth and reconciliation efforts.
2. Motivation to apply for this opportunity, and how will the international & indigenous exchange experience benefit the applicant personally and academically.
3. Interests and community involvement as they align with the scholarship values.
4. Academic achievements, leadership positions, sporting and cultural involvement and/or other community involvements;
5. Preparedness to represent AUT while on the exchange programme, and Trent University upon return from the programme.
6. Determination as to how the applicant might share the benefit of their experience with their educational peers, colleagues, families and communities after returning home from the exchange.

Applicants will also be asked to provide information within the application to help the AUT Global team assess eligibility for the exchange programme and will be asked to provide details of two Character References who can speak to the applicant's academic and/or community involvement.

CONDITIONS OF SELECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

1. Candidates must have met all the eligibility criteria for the AUT Global Exchange Programme and Scholarship, and be eligible for admission to Trent University as an Exchange student.
2. Recipients may only hold this Scholarship once.
3. The basis of selection will be the applicant's demonstrated ability to show/articulate:
 - A proposed study plan for courses to be taken at Trent University which can be approved and credited towards the applicant's programme of study at AUT;
 - A clear understanding of the programme's goals, including a connection, commitment, and contributions to indigenous communities and advancement of indigenous peoples and knowledge systems;
 - Anticipated benefits from the exchange experience in alignment with the scholarship's goals, and the potential to succeed in a different environment;
 - A genuine commitment to positively representing AUT and New Zealand, and their home communities while abroad, and Trent University and Canada as their host university/country upon return home; and
 - How they might share and apply their experience beyond completion of the exchange.
4. Recipients of the Scholarship will be on the recommendation of a Selection Panel comprising representatives nominated by AUT's Student Mobility Team, the Office of Māori Advancement, and the Office of Pacific Advancement, and following interviews of shortlisted applicants.
5. Nominated students must also apply to and be accepted to the Exchange Programme at Trent, following further instructions to be provided by AUT at the point of nomination.
6. All funds for the Scholarship will be managed by Trent University, with living cost stipends paid upon arrival to Trent at the start of the exchange semester. Travel, accommodation, meal plans, and insurance arrangements will be organized by Trent directly.
7. This Scholarship cannot be held together with another AUT or AUT Foundation donor sponsored international exchange scholarship or award.
8. Recipients may co-tenure with other scholarships or awards (not exchange related), provided the regulations for that scholarship, award or grant permit this, and with the approval of the University Scholarships Office. It is the responsibility of the recipient to declare all other scholarships, awards or grants to the University Scholarships Office that they will be receiving payment for alongside this Scholarship.
9. Recipients must actively engage in scheduled pre-departure programme activities, on-campus activities while at Trent, and post-exchange activities upon return to New Zealand in support of the wider exchange programme between AUT and Trent.
10. Receipts must complete a summary report on return, reflecting on their experience, what they have learned, how they will carry the experience forward, and providing feedback to AUT and Trent on opportunities for improvement as they relate to supporting future cohorts of students under the Scholarship Programme.
11. Recipients may be asked to contribute to an AUT Global Blog profile on return to AUT and/or provide a selection of photos of their exchange semester on request for use on social media to promote AUT Global and the Barry and Laurie Green Bilateral Exchange Scholarship opportunity.
12. AUT is not obliged to nominate Scholarship candidates if it is determined that either there are no candidates that meet the eligibility criteria, or who have demonstrated suitability for the exchange programme.
13. If a recipient decides to withdraw from the exchange programme at any point after travel or accommodation arrangements have been made, the participant may be liable to repay any costs incurred by Trent University in connection to the Scholarship, which are unable to be recouped, or a lesser value as determined by the Universities and the Donors.
14. AUT and/or Trent University may suspend or terminate participation in the programme, if the recipient is determined to have breached any conditions of AUT, Trent University, the AUT Global Exchange Programme and/or the Scholarship Conditions, in which case the participant may be

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