

# Te Āhuru Mayoral Drive Accommodation Scholarship – NZ Māori Students

**Closing Date: opens May 2022 – available until all spaces filled**

## PURPOSE

The Te Āhuru Mayoral Drive Accommodation Scholarship is designed to support NZ Māori students who have enrolled full-time in an AUT pre-degree or undergraduate programme for the first time in Semester 2, 2022. The scholarship recognises the impacts of Covid 19 for prospective domestic students entering tertiary study, aiming to reduce the burden of living and travel expenses while completing full-time study at AUT for the first time.

The scholarship guarantees accommodation at AUT's [Te Āhuru Mayoral Drive](#) student accommodation facility located minutes from the AUT city campus, regardless of whether you currently live in Auckland, or beyond. The student accommodation offers a safe and secure location with an on-site pastoral care programme and 24/7 concierge. Say goodbye to travel expenses and long commutes and get ready to build lasting friendships and study with like-minded students.

The scholarship will be paid directly to AUT's Te Āhuru Mayoral Drive student accommodation facility operated by UniLodge.

## AMOUNT AND TYPE OF AWARD

30 scholarships are available.

1. The scholarship is paid as full weekly rental at Te Āhuru Mayoral Drive student accommodation facility for Semester 2, 2022 block.
2. The scholarship also covers the accommodation application fee and student residential life fee.
3. The scholarship contribution is for one room, self-catered for a single resident.
4. The scholarship does not cover any other costs associated with accommodation services.

## TENURE

The scholarship is awarded for one semester only.

## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Applicants must be NZ Citizens or permanent residents of NZ Māori descent (Cook Island Māori are not eligible to apply) and declare this ethnicity when applying for admission to AUT.
2. Applicants for the Te Āhuru Mayoral Drive Accommodation Scholarship must be either:
  - a) applying for the first time to enrol full-time at AUT in a pre-degree or undergraduate degree programme. Please refer to an AUT Prospectus or our website for programmes and courses available at AUT - [www.aut.ac.nz](http://www.aut.ac.nz); or
  - b) currently enrolled students who face barriers to continued study in Semester 2.
3. Applicants under criteria 2(a) must have applied for and received an offer of place (conditional or unconditional) to a full-time programme of study (not less than 120 points) at

pre-degree or undergraduate degree level commencing Semester 2, 2022.

4. Applicants must agree to a Residential Contract to reside at Te Āhuru Mayoral Drive student accommodation facility.
5. If awarded, applicants must be Covid-19 fully vaccinated or willing to become fully vaccinated should NZ Government, AUT or Accommodation provider settings require vaccination. If awarded, applicants will be asked to provide documentation confirming tuition fee payment is covered for semester 2, 2022. This confirmation can include fees free, student loan or alternate arrangements.

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Applications will open in May 2022 and close when all 30 places are filled. Applicants must complete the *Te Āhuru Mayoral Drive Accommodation Scholarship NZ Māori - Application* online through the *AUT Scholarships Database* from this [link](#).

Applicants will be required to upload:

1. Offer of Place in a minimum 120-point pre-degree or undergraduate programme of study commencing Semester 2, 2022 (“new to AUT” applicants).
2. Current students will be asked to upload a brief statement (300 words) outlining their barriers to continued study in Semester 2.

## CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE AND APPOINTMENT

- The award of this scholarship is conditional on the student enrolling in full-time study at the start of Semester 2, 2022.
- The recipient will enrol in no less than 120pts during the tenure of the scholarship.
- The scholarship will not be released until enrolment fees are paid and after the date for withdrawal from study in Semester 2, 2022.
- The recipient will reside in Te Āhuru Mayoral Drive student accommodation, and the award paid directly to that accommodation. Please note that the recipient will need to ensure they can cover other additional costs not covered by the scholarship.
- Recipients must be Covid-19 fully vaccinated or willing to become fully vaccinated should NZ Government, AUT or Accommodation Provider require vaccination.
- The recipient may hold concurrently other non-AUT scholarships with the approval of the Scholarships Office if the regulations for that other scholarship award or grant permit.
- Recipients will meet with a designated Māori Liaison Services Student Advisor on a fortnightly basis which will include Orientation and other key activities
- Recipients will meet with their designated Māori Peer Mentor on a weekly basis.
- The scholarship does not assist with the payment of tuition fees. Tuition costs are the compulsory fees that must be paid to the university, you will need to make arrangements to meet this cost. StudyLink can assist in the payment of these fees. Please contact StudyLink 0800 889900 or [www.studylink.govt.nz](http://www.studylink.govt.nz) to access information.
- The scholarship cannot be deferred.
- Recipients must be enrolled continuously in their programme of study. Suspensions or Leave of Absence for students who have already commenced their degree will not usually be approved unless there are compelling medical or personal circumstances beyond the student’s control.
- Suspension requests must be made in writing to the Scholarships Office.

- Recipients who take up this Scholarship but do not complete their Semester 2, 2022 study at AUT may be required to pay back the full value of the scholarship received.