AUT Study Abroad Scholarships

Closing Dates:
1 November 2026 for Semester One 2027 and 1 May 2027 for Semester Two 2027, or until all places are filled (whichever occurs first).

PURPOSE

This scholarship is offered to support international students coming to Auckland University of Technology (AUT) to experience Aotearoa New Zealand through the Study Abroad programme, and in recognition of the important role Study Abroad students play as global ambassadors of AUT.

VALUE AND TYPE OF AWARD

Scholarships are offered to Study Abroad students entering AUT via the following pathways:

Free-Mover Study Abroad Scholarships

- Available to students enrolling at AUT via direct enrolment, with tuition fees paid to AUT
- Contribution of $2,000 NZD deducted from your AUT tuition fees upon acceptance of offer letter / enrolment
- Approximately 20 awards available per annum

Nominated Study Abroad Partner Scholarships

- Available to students nominated to AUT through an eligible Study Abroad Agreement, with fees paid to AUT by the student's home university
- Contribution of $2,000 NZD towards living expenses, paid to a New Zealand bank account following commencement of the Study Abroad programme at AUT
- Approximately 20 awards available per annum

TENURE

- The scholarship is awarded for one semester only

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Applicants must have applied to study abroad at Auckland University of Technology as an international student and hold a current and valid Offer to study in the Certificate of Proficiency (Study Abroad) programme by the application deadline.
- Applicants must not be citizens of New Zealand or Australia

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must complete the AUT Study Abroad Scholarship application online through the scholarships database on the AUT website: AUT Scholarships - AUT Study Abroad Scholarships 2027, Semester 1

Applicants are required to provide:

- A current and valid conditional or unconditional offer to enrol in AUT's Study Abroad programme commencing in Semester 1, or Semester 2, 2027.
- A motivational statement (approx. 300 words) about why you choose to study abroad at AUT, how you think the Study Abroad experience in New Zealand will benefit you (personally, academically, and professionally) and what you are excited about experiencing in Auckland.
- Your AUT student ID in the box provided on the application form.

All documentation must be uploaded by the closing date otherwise the application will be considered ineligible.

Applicants are required to declare if they have applied for other scholarships both internally (i.e. awarded by AUT) and externally (e.g. government scholarships). The selection committee will take this into consideration.

SELECTION PROCESS

- A selection committee comprising representatives from AUT's Student Mobility Team will assess the applications.
- Applications will be shortlisted and awarded by AUT on the recommendation of the selection committee.
- The country of origin and home university of the applicant may be considered by the selection committee to align with AUT's strategic aims.
- Selection will take place following the closing date for each semester.

CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE AND APPOINTMENT

- The award of this scholarship is conditional on the student enrolling in the Study Abroad (Certificate of Proficiency) programme at AUT commencing in Semester 1 or Semester 2, 2027
- For Free-Mover students: The contribution towards tuition fees will be applied directly to the student's AUT fees account upon enrolment into the student's selected courses
- For students nominated via a designated Study Abroad partner: Payment of the scholarship will be made following commencement of the Study Abroad programme at AUT, and upon providing evidence of a New Zealand bank account.
- Recipients are required to be enrolled full time (60 points) at AUT during the tenure of the scholarship. Failure to do so may result in termination of the scholarship and any paid funds recovered.
- The scholarship may be terminated if recipients are found to have not truthfully declared their details during the application process. In this case, any paid funds will be recovered.

- Recipients are expected to maintain satisfactory academic standing and conduct during the tenure of the scholarship. Failure to do so may result in termination of the scholarship and any paid funds recovered.
- Students who withdraw from their studies at Auckland University of Technology before the end of their planned Study Abroad period may be required to reimburse the Scholarship funds.

- Except in cases where there are compelling medical reasons or adverse personal circumstance beyond a student's control, the uptake of the scholarship cannot be deferred.
- The offer of scholarship lapses if it is not formally accepted within two weeks from the date of offer.
- Scholarship recipients are expected to act as ambassadors for AUT and the Study Abroad programme. This may include participating in promotional activities, such as sharing their experiences through student profiles, testimonials, photos, videos, or other marketing initiatives, upon request by the AUT Study Abroad team.
- The scholarship cannot be held concurrently with other AUT International Scholarships.
- This scholarship cannot be held by students whose studies are being fully or partially sponsored by either a home government or the New Zealand government.
- Recipients have 14 days to accept their scholarship offer of place.
- Recipients with a valid conditional offer to study an eligible AUT programme must make a reasonable effort to meet the English language condition (if any) of their conditional offer within one month of accepting the scholarship offer.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

- International students are not citizens, permanent residents nor resident visa holders of New Zealand or Australia.
- Affiliated study abroad partners have agreements with AUT by which tuition fees are paid to AUT by the partner university or organisation on behalf of their enrolled students.
- AUT is not obliged to make an award if there is no candidate of sufficient merit.
- The regulations are periodically reviewed by the University Scholarships Committee and are subject to change.

AUT STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP – APPENDIX

DESIGNATED STUDY ABROAD PARTNERS

United States	
	WorldStrides Academic Programmes International (API) State University of New York (SUNY) Oswego The University of Vermont Rhode Island School of Design Brandeis University Iowa State University Texas Tech University
France	
	ECAM La Salle