

New to AUT Scholarship

CLOSING DATE: 1 July

PURPOSE

The New to AUT Scholarship is designed to support students who have enrolled in an AUT undergraduate or postgraduate programme for the first time in Semester 2, 2021. The scholarship recognises the impacts of Covid 19 for prospective 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 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 Mayoral Drive student accommodation facility operated by Unilodge.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Applicants for the New to AUT Scholarship must be applying for the first time to enrol at AUT.
2. Applicants must have as a minimum university entrance (Special, Discretionary, Ad Eundem Statem or New Zealand Secondary School).
3. Applicants must have applied for and received an offer of place to a full-time programme of study (minimum 120 points) at undergraduate or postgraduate degree level commencing Semester 2, 2021.
4. Applicants must have confirmation tuition fee payment is covered for semester 2, 2021. This confirmation can include fees free, student loan or alternate arrangements.
5. Applicants must be NZ citizens or Permanent Residents or obtain a student visa to study at AUT prior to receiving the scholarship.
6. Applicants must agree to a Residential Contract to reside at Unilodge Mayoral Drive accommodation facility.

AMOUNT AND TYPE OF AWARD

1. The scholarship is paid as a contribution to rent at Unilodge Accommodation facility located at Mayoral Drive for semester 2, 2021 period plus semester 1, 2022 period.
2. The scholarship contribution is for one room, self-catered for a single resident.
3. The scholarship is paid in two parts:
 - 90% payment toward total cost of rent for semester 2, 2021
 - 20% payment toward total cost of rent for semester 1, 2022

TENURE

The scholarship is awarded for two semesters only.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Applications are open from 8th June 2021 and close 1 July 2021. Applicants must complete the *New to AUT Scholarship Application* online through the *AUT Scholarships Database* from this [link](#).

Applicants will be required to upload:

1. A statement outlining how their tertiary study will fulfil future career goals.
2. Offer of Place in an undergraduate or postgraduate programme of study commencing Semester 2, 2021.
3. Document confirming tuition fee is covered for Semester 2, 2021.

SELECTION CRITERIA

1. The scholarship will be awarded to those applicants who study at the AUT City campus, South campus or North Shore campus.
2. Applicants who identify as Maori, Pacific or Disabled will be prioritised (Ministry of Education priority groups).
3. Applicants will be assessed for their informed study plans which demonstrate a dedication to complete tertiary study to achieve career goals.

CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE AND APPOINTMENT

- The award of this scholarship is conditional on the student commencing full-time study at the start of Semester 2, 2021.
- The recipient will enrol in no less than 120pts during the tenure of the scholarship.
- The recipient will reside in AUT 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.
- The recipient may hold concurrently other non-AUT scholarships with the approval of the Scholarships Office, as long as the regulations for that other scholarship award or grant permit.
- Except in cases where there are compelling medical reasons or adverse personal circumstances beyond a student's control, the uptake of scholarships 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.
- Deferral and suspension requests must be made in writing to the Scholarships Office.
- Recipients must pass all papers in their first semester of study to continue to hold the scholarship in their second semester.
- Recipients who take up this Scholarship but do not complete at least two semesters of study at AUT may be required to pay back the full value of the scholarship received.