

[The Artemis Foundation](#) Scholarship aims to alleviate some of the financial hardship students can face to continue with university study. The Scholarship was established in 2019 through alumnus [Victor Li](#), who has gone on to undertake an MBA at the University of Cambridge in the UK and who wishes to support students at the University of Waikato. The Scholarship will be awarded to a University of Waikato student who intends to undertake a third or fourth year of study in an undergraduate degree in areas relating to Education or Business or Environmental Sustainability (or a combination of the three). One scholarship will be awarded annually, providing a tuition fees credit of \$5,000 and a cash payment of \$2,000.

## 1. Purpose

- 1.1. To assist current University of Waikato students who demonstrate financial and/or personal hardship to continue studying towards their undergraduate degree at the University of Waikato.

## 2. Eligibility and Selection Criteria

### 2.1. To be eligible applicants must:

- a) be intending to enrol full-time (i.e. 120-points) in the third or fourth year of their first undergraduate degree at the University of Waikato in the year of tenure;
- b) be studying in an area relating to Education, Business, or Environmental Sustainability (or a combination of the three);
- c) have achieved at least a B+ average in their previous year(s) of study at University of Waikato; and
- d) be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident;

- 2.2. Previous recipients of this Scholarship may apply again, but must have passed all papers during the year they were supported by the Scholarship.

### 2.3. In **selecting recipients** the Selection Panel will:

- a) take into particular consideration academic potential and financial hardship and/or extraordinary personal circumstances
- b) Give preference to female students as per the values of the [Artemis Foundation](#).

### 2.4. To **maintain eligibility** recipients must:

- a) enrol full-time (120-points) in the year of tenure;
- b) be enrolled in the area relating to Education, Business or Environmental Sustainability

### 3. Value, Tenure and Awarding

- 3.1. The Scholarship will have a value of **\$7,000**, of which;
  - a) \$5,000 will be credited directly to the recipient's University of Waikato tuition fees (not including Student Services Levy) in the year of tenure.
  - b) \$2,000 will be paid directly to the recipient after the withdrawal date of the first trimester.
- 3.2. The successful applicant(s) will be advised of the offer of a Scholarship via their MyWaikato portal and must accept the offer by the prescribed date or the offer will lapse.
- 3.3. In accepting the Scholarship, the recipient will be deemed to have read, understood, and accepted the conditions of the Scholarship, and the [Scholarships Policy](#).
- 3.4. Through the School of Graduate Research, the University monitors recipients' performance and reserves the right to impose further conditions where a recipient's performance is unsatisfactory.
- 3.5. The Scholarship will have a tenure of one year.

### 4. Application

- 4.1. The closing date for online applications is **15 November each year**.
- 4.2. As part of the online application process, each candidate must submit:
  - a) a Personal Statement (using the prescribed template) that outlines the following:
    - o Why completing their degree is important to the candidate and their future ambitions;
    - o Financial hardship;
    - o Any other extraordinary personal circumstances that may hinder the candidate's ability to complete their degree (if applicable); and
    - o Any other information that may be of relevance to the Selection Panel.

### 5. Selection Panel

- 5.1. The Selection Panel will comprise of the Chair of the Scholarships Committee (Or nominee) as Chair, one academic staff member from a relevant discipline (appointed by the Chair), and the donor (or nominee).
- 5.2. The Selection Panel may refrain from making a decision if it finds no candidate of sufficient merit.
- 5.3. The Selection Panel's decisions are final and no further correspondence will be entered into following the selection meeting.

### 6. Other Conditions

- 6.1. The Scholarship may not be held in conjunction with any University of Waikato scholarship that contains a tuition fees credit, except those that state they are

specifically for financial hardship. It may be held in conjunction with any other scholarship, award or prize unless the conditions of the other award preclude this.

- 6.2. Should a recipient withdraw from any papers, without adding sufficient papers to maintain an overall enrolment in a minimum of 120-points for the academic year, the University may ask for the Scholarship to be repaid.
- 6.3. The Scholarships Committee may terminate this Scholarship at any time, and recoup any funds disbursed, if the holder withdraws from the University of Waikato, brings the Scholarship, University or Sponsor into disrepute<sup>1</sup>, or is otherwise not complying with the regulations governing the Scholarship and/or the University of Waikato. The holder of a Scholarship will have the right to appeal to the Scholarships Executive against any decision to terminate the award.
- 6.4. The fees portion of the Scholarship is not refundable to the student under any circumstances, although (in the case of fees payment) a student who withdraws from the University may (under the provisions of the Fees Regulations) apply for a refund of tuition fees paid that were not covered by the Scholarship.
- 6.5. Recipients should seek independent financial advice about any tax implication of their scholarship.
- 6.6. By accepting the Scholarship, the recipient agrees to participate in any publicity concerning the Scholarship by the University of Waikato or Sponsor.
- 6.7. The Scholarships Committee has the power to amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

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<sup>1</sup> See [Code of Student Conduct](#).