

NGATI WHAKAUE EDUCATION ENDOWMENT TRUST BOARD

POST GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP POLICY

Policy Name	Post Graduate scholarship
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Signed (Chairman)	Mr Malcolm Short <i>ONZM</i>

1. PURPOSE:

- 1.1 To provide individual post graduate scholarships to assist with post graduate education and encourage academic achievement.
- 1.2 To set out procedures for annual post graduate grant applications and checking processes.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND VERIFICATION:

- 2.1 The Board will recognise only those applicants, (including legally adopted children) who are:
 - Ngati Whakaue descendant of an original Owner in the Pukeroa Oruawhata Block; or
 - descendants of one or more of the 6 Koromatua of Ngati Whakaue; or
 - are members of other related hapu/iwi of Ngati Whakaue who reside in the Lake Rotorua basin;and are currently participating in the governance or management of existing Ngati Whakaue organisations or who plan to do so in the next three to five years
- 2.2 Whangai will be considered in terms of the Board's [Whakapapa Policy \(2015\) Number 0611](#).
- 2.3 Whakapapa will be checked thoroughly.
- 2.4 Inconclusive whakapapa verification may result in applications being declined.
- 2.5 Applicants must be in an NZQA approved institution, or equivalent if studying overseas.
- 2.6 Successful applicants will not be eligible for Ngati Whakaue Tertiary Grants [while in receipt of this scholarship].

3. APPLICATION FORMS

- 3.1 Applications will only be considered on the official online application form.
- 3.2 Applications will open on the last working day in June and close 1 month later.
- 3.3 Incomplete application forms may be rejected.

4. CRITERIA

- 4.1 Scholarships are offered in the following areas:
 - Maori Education
 - Tikanga me te reo Māori
 - Māori Health
 - Māori Social and economic development including Māori Leader and entrepreneurship
- 4.2 Applicants must be enrolled in either postgraduate research programmes of study at a recognized Tertiary Institution, at either Masters or Doctoral level. Applicants will be engaged in

a full time capacity, in either a Masters Dissertation or Thesis or similar research project or, a Doctoral Thesis research project.

- 4.3 Priority will be given to applications that demonstrate tangible outcomes and benefits to Ngati Whakaue – Te Arawa iwi (with specific relation to Māori Education, Māori Health, Tikanga me te reo Māori and Māori economic development including Māori leadership.

5 AMOUNT AND PAYMENT:

- 5.1 Funds available will be distributed by way of :

Two scholarships worth up to\$20,000.00 each

Note: The distribution of funds may differ from that stipulated. For example, the Board may choose to allocate four \$10,000.00 or eight \$5,000.00 scholarships based upon the applications received.

- 5.2 NWEЕ reserves the right to determine the scholarship distribution method including the right to choose not to distribute scholarships dependent upon the quality of scholarship applications.
- 5.3 Payments of these scholarships will be by way of a one off seeding grant followed by a progress payment/s according to a successful project milestone [contracted] reporting process. (note: clarified that final instalments are to be paid on approval of thesis i.e. results, not just submission.
- 5.4 Successful applicants will not be eligible for this scholarship in successive years

6. CHECKING PROCEDURES:

- 6.1 Application forms will be collected online by Deloitte (Rotorua).
- 6.2 The Education subcommittee will review application data and determine which applications are to be recommended for acceptance, declining.
- 6.3 All grant applications and payments must be approved by the Board.
- 6.4 Payments will only be made direct to applicant's bank accounts.
- 6.5 The Board may request further information to assist processing any application.
- 6.6 Scholarship recipients are required to complete set milestones. The Board may in its discretion approve a deferment of a milestone report but reserves the right to recall monies already paid and/or cancel further payments for non-submission.**

7. DISCLOSURE.

- 7.1 The Board may use all information for statistical purposes.
- 7.2 The Board for publicity/promotional purposes may use individual information (including academic profile) relating to successful Applicants.
- 7.3 The Board is under no obligation to enter into any correspondence with any applicant.
- 7.4 Applicants must disclose any relationship to Board members.
- 7.5 The Board's decision on any application or interpretation matter is final.
- 7.6 No correspondence will be entered into.