

## BACKGROUND

Established in 2019, the Waikato Pathways College International High Achiever Progression Bursary aims to encourage talented international students to study at the University of Waikato. The Bursary is valued at NZD\$5000 and will be deducted from the full international student fees for the first year of subsequent undergraduate study.

The Bursary is open to all international students, enrolling in a fulltime undergraduate programme, who studied the Certificate of Attainment in Foundation Studies, Certificate of University Preparation, International Diploma (Business) or International Diploma (Science) at Waikato Pathways College in the preceding 12 months. There is no application process; students who achieve an A grade average over their first 60 points (Accelerated Foundation Studies or Certificate of University Preparation) or 120 points (Standard Foundation Studies, International Diploma (Business) or International Diploma (Science)) will be automatically eligible for the High Achiever Progression Bursary for their next 120 points.

## REGULATIONS

- 1. The Bursary will be known as the "Waikato Pathways College International High Achiever Progression Bursary".
- 2. The value of the Bursary will be NZD\$5,000 paid directly to the recipient's tuition fees after the semester withdrawal date. The amount offered for this Bursary is at the discretion of the Selection Committee and will be based on criteria such as, but not limited to, total available funding, grades, financial need, number of credits enrolled, number of applicants, and period of enrolment.
- 3. The Bursary will be applied to the first year of full-time (120 points) international enrolment fees of the undergraduate degree.
- 4. The Bursary will be awarded to all international students, enrolling in a full time undergraduate programme, who achieved an A grade average over their first 60 points (Accelerated Foundation Studies or Certificate of University Preparation) or 120 points (Standard Foundation Studies, International Diploma (Business) or International Diploma (Science)).
- 5. The Scholarships Committee has the power to amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Bursary.

- 6. The Scholarships Committee may terminate this Bursary at any time, and recoup any funds disbursed, if the holder withdraws from the University of Waikato during the tenure of the Bursary, brings the Bursary of the University into disrepute<sup>1</sup>, or is otherwise not complying with the conditions governing the Bursary and/or the regulations of the University of Waikato.
- 7. The holder will have the right to appeal against any decision to terminate a Bursary by writing to <u>scholarships@waikato.ac.nz</u> who will forward the appeal to the Scholarships Executive.

## **BURSARY SPECIFICS**

- There is no application process for this Bursary. Eligible candidates will have their results assessed automatically at the completion of the Certificate of Attainment in Foundation Studies, Certificate of University Preparation, International Diploma (Business) or International Diploma (Science).
- 2. The Bursary must be taken up in the two semesters immediately following the period of determination of eligibility.
- A student who withdraws from the University may (under the provisions of the Fees Regulations) apply for a refund of enrolment fees paid that were not covered by the Bursary. The Bursary, however, is not refundable to the student under any circumstances.
- 4. Candidates must remain enrolled full-time for the whole year of tenure (that is, the first year of enrolment in the undergraduate degree)
- 5. Should the student withdraw from any papers, without adding sufficient papers to maintain an overall enrolment in 120 points, the Bursary must be repaid in full.
- 6. The offer sent to each eligible student will be communicated via MyWaikato. The candidate must accept within the timeframe specified or the offer will lapse.
- 7. In accepting the offer, the student will be deemed to have read, understood and accepted the conditions of the Bursary, and the <u>Scholarships Policy</u>.
- 8. The Bursary cannot be held in conjunction with any other University of Waikato funded tuition or accommodation fees scholarship, award, or bursary or, nor can it be held in conjunction with any Education New Zealand scholarships.
- 9. To be eligible, candidates must not be coming to the University of Waikato via a sponsoring body<sup>2</sup> and not be coming to the University of Waikato on a Guaranteed Credit Arrangement<sup>3</sup> or through a study abroad or student exchange agreement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See <u>Code of Student Conduct</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Examples of a sponsoring body are: governments, institutions and employers who fund student scholarships for study.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Guaranteed credit arrangements are where an institution has a formal agreement with the University of Waikato whereby a student can study part of their degree at the partner institution and credit that study towards 1-2 years of study at the University of Waikato.

10. The Bursary is by nomination from the International Office who will send the nomination to <a href="mailto:scholarships@waikato.ac.nz">scholarships@waikato.ac.nz</a>. The process of offering and awarding a Bursary to a recipient will start once a member of the Scholarships team has received the nomination and checked that sufficient funds are available.