

# 2027 Freemasons University Scholarship Application Form Preview

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### BACKGROUND

*Administered by The Freemasons Charity.*

The Freemasons University Scholarships are provided annually, funded and administered by The Freemasons Charity. The Freemasons University Scholarships are to assist students who are actively involved in their community, to **complete** their tertiary education in their chosen field.

The Freemasons University Scholarships are available to students attending the following universities: **Auckland, AUT, Waikato, Massey, Victoria, Canterbury, Lincoln, and Otago.**

#### **Amount & Value of Scholarships:**

- 8 Post Graduate Scholarships of \$10,000 each;
- 20 Graduate Scholarships of \$6,000 each (***for students entering their final year of undergraduate study in 2026.***)

Successful scholars are expected to use their scholarship to defray expenses related to their attendance at University.

### CRITERIA

**IMPORTANT: Graduate scholarship applicants must be completing the final year of their undergraduate degree in 2027.**

*e.g. A student who is in Year 13 in 2026, and starting university in 2027 is **not** eligible for this scholarship.*

#### **Applicants for the scholarships must:**

1. 1. Have a good academic record;
2. Be a New Zealand citizen or hold permanent New Zealand residency;
3. Be attending/ enrolled at one of the eight participating universities;
4. **If applying for a Graduate scholarship, must be completing the final year of their undergraduate degree in 2027;**
5. Demonstrate good citizenship;
6. Show leadership potential;
7. Have proven community commitment; and
8. Complete this application in its entirety by the due date.

The Scholarships will be awarded without regard to gender, ethnic background, creed or age. Family association with Freemasonry is **NOT** a requirement for the awarding of this scholarship. Freemasons have a tradition of caring for their community and will assist those who contribute back to the community.

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## SELECTION

A Selection Committee is appointed in each university district. The Committee will invite short-listed candidates for an interview in **February/March 2027**. If selected you must attend to progress with the application. The Committee will have regard not only to the academic ability of the candidates and to referees' reports, but also to their character and citizenship, and will look for evidence of involvement in the cultural and/or sporting life of the community or campus.

All applicants will be advised of the outcome of their application by **mid April 2027**.

## PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Successful applicants will be invited to attend the Scholarship Presentation Event at *Parliament in May 2027 (TBC)*.

Scholarship awardees are expected to attend this event barring exceptional circumstances. Family are invited to attend and travel expenses assistance are available to students travelling from out of town.

Payment of scholarship amount will be made following the Scholarship Presentation Event, and should appear in the awardees bank account within one week post event.

## APPLICATIONS

Freemasons Scholarships are available to students who are enrolled at one of the eight participating universities:

- University of Auckland
- Auckland University of Technology (AUT)
- University of Waikato
- Massey University
- Victoria University of Wellington
- University of Canterbury
- Lincoln University
- University of Otago

**The Committee will use the following information to assess your application:**

- 1. A certified copy of your university academic record.**
- 2. A CV.**
- 3. Statements outlining applicant's planned course of study and future plans.**
- 4. An academic reference from a relevant referee.**
- 5. A community involvement reference from a relevant referee.**
- 6. An essay of approx. 250 words describing your own community involvement.**

## PRIVACY PROVISIONS

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The information requested in this application may be used solely for the purposes of assessing your application and may be shared with relevant University Scholarships Offices for confirmation of your academic record and verification of eligibility.

If you are successful, the personal information and media provided in your application may be used by The Freemasons Charity and Freemasons New Zealand for promotional purposes.

Personal information contained in this application will be made available to members of the Selection Committee.

Should you have reason to believe that information held about you in either your application or your academic record is incorrect, you have the right of access to it, and to make corrections to that information.

**This application must be submitted by 1 October 2026, midnight end-of-day. No late applications will be accepted.**

## Eligibility

\* indicates a required field

### APPLICANTS PLEASE NOTE:

Incomplete applications and/or applications received after the closing date will not be considered.

This section of the application form is designed to help you, and us, understand if you are eligible for this scholarship. It's crucial that you complete these questions before any others to ensure you are not applying for an unsuitable scholarship.

If you have any questions in regards to these eligibility criteria, please contact [charityadmin@freemasonsnz.org](mailto:charityadmin@freemasonsnz.org).

## Confirmation of Eligibility

### I confirm that the applicant ...

- has read and understands the scholarship guidelines;
- is attending / enrolled in one of the eight participating universities;
- **if applying for a Graduate scholarship, is completing the final year of their undergraduate degree in 2027;**
- is a New Zealand citizen or holds permanent New Zealand residency;
- can demonstrate good citizenship and is involved in some form of community activity;
- has relevant supporting references and documents.

**Please select below: \***

Yes  No

You must confirm that all statements above are true and correct.

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If you have answered "No" to any of the above questions, you are not eligible for this scholarship.

## Applicant Details

\* indicates a required field

### Privacy Notice

We pledge to respect and uphold your rights to privacy protection under the New Zealand Privacy Principles as established under the *Privacy Act 2020*.

By submitting this application you agree to your information being shared with the University for confirmation of GPA and course enrollment.

## Scholarship Application Details

### Graduate (University) Scholarship:

For students who, in the year following application, will be enrolled full-time in the final year of an undergraduate qualification.

Qualifications in this category include the following:

- Bachelor's degree
- Bachelor's degree with honours.

### Postgraduate Scholarship:

For students who, in the year following the application, will be enrolled full-time in a postgraduate qualification.

Qualifications in this category include the following:

- Postgraduate diploma
- Master's degree
- Doctoral degree.

### I am applying for: \*

Graduate (University) Scholarship

Postgraduate Scholarship

## University Details

Which university do you currently attend? \*

As at the time of submitting the application

Student ID

## Personal Details

### Applicant \*

First Name

Last Name

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Response optional - collecting this information helps us refer to you correctly in our communications to you.

### **Applicant Home Address \***

Address

  

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, and Postcode are required. Country must be New Zealand

### **Applicant Mobile Phone Number \***

### **Applicant Primary Email \***

Must be an email address.

Applicant must be contactable at this email address.

## Tertiary Education Details

\* indicates a required field

### **At which university do you intend to study at in 2027? \***

This determines which University Selection Committee will be assessing your application.

**For which degree? \***

e.g. Bachelor of Science.

**Majoring in? \***

e.g. Biology.

## Postgraduate Specialisation

### **Title of Thesis (if applicable)**

e.g. PhD specialisation, title of intended research paper.

### **Give details of any publications and titles of any previously submitted theses.**

## Tertiary Education Record

Please provide details of your prior tertiary education.

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Name of Institution

From:

Must be a date.

To:

Must be a date.

Qualifications Gained

e.g. Bachelor of Arts with Honours, Master of Science.

Additional qualifications to report?

Yes

## Additional Tertiary Education Record

Name of Institution

From:

Must be a date.

To:

Must be a date.

Qualifications Gained

e.g. Bachelor of Arts with Honours, Master of Science.

## Other Scholarships

\* indicates a required field

Have you applied for any scholarships or awards for 2027? \*

Yes  No

Please list 2027 scholarships and/or awards applied for:

Have you received any scholarships or awards at university? Have you been awarded any for 2027? \*

Yes  No

List all scholarships or awards received at university, and offered/received for the coming year.

Scholarship / Award	Value	Year Received
	Must be a dollar amount.	
	\$	

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## References and Referees

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### Academic Reference

Please provide details for your academic referee and upload relevant academic reference.

If you are unsure what an Academic/Community Involvement Reference should look like, see this link for example: <https://www.teachingexpertise.com/classroom-ideas/scholarship-recommendation-letter-examples/>

**Academic Referee \***

First Name

Last Name

**Upload Academic Reference: \***

Attach a file:

**Phone**

Must be a New Zealand phone number.

**Email \***

Must be an email address.

### Community Involvement Referee

Please provide details for your community involvement referee and upload community involvement reference.

**Community Involvement Referee \***

First Name

Last Name

**Upload Community Involvement Reference: \***

Attach a file:

**Phone**

Must be a New Zealand phone number.

**Email \***

Must be an email address.

## Essay

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### Course of Study and Career Aspirations

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**Please outline your proposed course of study \***

Word count:  
Must be no more than 250 words.

**Please outline your future career plans. How do you see your studies and future career benefitting your community? \***

Word count:  
Must be no more than 400 words.

## Community Involvement

**Please write a short bio about yourself and your studies; outline your involvement in the community. Do you intend to continue work in your community after your studies? \***

Word count:  
Must be no more than 500 words.

## Upload Supporting Documentation

\* indicates a required field

Please upload the following documents to support your application

**A copy of your current CV \***

Attach a file:

**Current university transcript to-date \***

Attach a file:

**Prior Tertiary Academic Record or transcript (if applicable)**

Attach a file:

For postgraduate students with previously obtained degrees, overseas tertiary education etc.

**Proof of New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency \***

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Attach a file:

**A recent hi-res photo of yourself \***

Attach a file:

This photo could be used for publicity purposes if your application is successful.

## Declaration

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**Please read and answer. You must agree to all to submit this application: \***

- I have read and understood the regulations for the Freemasons University Scholarships and agree to abide by them.
- I am aware of and understand the Privacy Provisions supplied with this application form.
- I accept that Freemasons New Zealand have the right to use the names, photographs and details of successful scholars for promotional purposes.
- I undertake to maintain contact with Freemasons New Zealand and keep them informed of my career path and personal attainments.
- I further undertake to acknowledge the assistance provided by Freemasons New Zealand in the form of my scholarship whenever and wherever appropriate.
- I confirm that the information provided is true and correct.

## Feedback

\* indicates a required field

### Applicant Feedback

You are nearing the end of the application process. Before you review your application and click the **SUBMIT** button please take a few moments to provide some feedback.

**Please indicate how you found the online application process:**

- Very easy     Easy     Neutral     Difficult     Very difficult

**How many minutes in total did it take you to complete this application? \***

Estimate in minutes i.e. 1 hour = 60

**Please provide us with your suggestions about any improvements and/or additions to the application process/form that you think we need to consider.**

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