

**UNIVERSITY OF CANTERBURY
MASTERS SCHOLARSHIPS**

1. University of Canterbury Master's Scholarships are tenable for study towards a Master's degree at the University of Canterbury. The scholarships provide for a living allowance and tuition fees, each to a value determined by the Council. (See *Note i* for their current value)
2. The scholarships are awarded, on application, by the Council on the recommendation of the Academic Board. Application for a scholarship must be made to the Scholarships Office, University of Canterbury, on the approved form no later than 5.00 pm on 15 May or 5.00 pm on 15 October.
3.
 - a) To be eligible for a scholarship, an applicant must have met the academic requirements for enrolment in the relevant thesis, dissertation, research project, creative work or performance by 10 December for those who apply by 15 October, or by 17 July for those who apply by 15 May. (See *Note ii* for further details of eligibility).
 - b) Candidates may apply once only for a Master's Scholarship.
 - c) Candidates already holding a Master's degree cannot apply for a Master's Scholarship.
4.
 - a) The scholarships are tenable only for the period in which the student is engaged solely on a single thesis, dissertation or research project or in creative work or performance or in which such thesis, dissertation, research project, creative work or performance comprises at least 0.75 EFTS in total.
 - b) The scholarship shall be tenable for the time it takes the student to complete 1.00 EFTS of the course of study specified in Regulation 4a, subject to the student completing the Master's degree within the time limit specified in the degree regulations, and in the case of degrees where Honours or Distinction may be awarded, within the time limit specified for the award of Honours or Distinction. (See *Note v*)
5.
 - a) Every offer of a scholarship will lapse if it is not accepted in writing by 15 February in the year following application for those who apply by 15 October, and by 30 September for those who apply by 15 May.
 - b) Every scholar must take up the scholarship by 31 March in the year following application, if the student applied by 15 October, or by 30 October if the student applied by 15 May, although in exceptional cases the Academic Board may extend these times by a period not exceeding six months.
6. Every scholar must comply with the regulations of the relevant Master's degree. (See *Note iii*)
7. If it is necessary for their research, scholars may, with the permission of the Academic Board, be permitted to retain the emolument of the scholarship while carrying out research for limited periods outside the University of Canterbury.
8.
 - a) The emolument will be paid by monthly instalments.
 - b) The first payment of the emolument will be made as soon as practicable after the scholar has completed enrolment. In no case will payment commence before 1 January in the following year for those who applied by 15 October or 1 August for those who applied by 15 May.
9. With the permission of the Academic Board, but not otherwise, a scholarship is tenable with any other scholarship, bursary or award. In granting permission the Board may impose such conditions as it thinks fit, such as reducing the emolument of the scholarship. (See *Note iv*)

10. A scholarship may be terminated or suspended by the Academic Board if it is not satisfied with the conduct or progress of the scholar or if the scholar has failed to comply with any of the terms or conditions on which the scholarship was awarded. The Board may in such a case require the scholar to refund a proportion of the scholarship emolument.
11. The Academic Board may relax or modify the application of any of these regulations in special circumstances, or in order to avoid hardship to a scholar.

Notes:

- i. *The current emolument of a scholarship is NZ\$12,000 per EFTS. In addition to this, the scholarship covers tuition fees for the thesis enrolment at the New Zealand domestic rate for the minimum course completion requirements (this will be equivalent to 1.00 (full time) or 0.65 (part time) EFTS over a year).*
- ii. *By the relevant deadline in Regulation 3a:*
 - *All applicants must have received final confirmed grades for the qualifying degree*
 - *All applicants requiring admission ad eundem statum must have this admission confirmed*
- iii. *In addition, for applicants who have completed the academic requirements but not the practical work requirements for the BE(Hons) degree an offer of an award would be conditional on their subsequently having those requirements completed and credited by the second Friday of the first semester in the year following application (for those applying by 15 October), or by the second Friday of the second semester (for those applying by 15 May). The regulations for the degree of Masters are published in the University Calendar which is available at the University's Libraries, College Administration Offices, or on the University's website*
- iv. *Scholars are normally permitted to hold other awards without reduction in the emolument of the scholarship if the value of the other awards (excluding grants to reimburse research-related expenses) does not exceed 50% of the emolument of the scholarship. If the value of other awards does exceed this limit the scholarship will normally be reduced by the amount by which their net exceeds 50% of the scholarship emolument.*
- v. *EFTS means "Equivalent Full Time Student" and 1.00 EFTS is equal to 1 year of standard full time study. A part time thesis carries a course weighting of 0.65 EFTS. Therefore, a student enrolled for a part time thesis only will have a scholarship tenure, paid pro-rata, of 18 months.*

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