



Kā Waimaero | Ngāi Tahu Centre Doctoral Scholarship

Waeture | Regulations

Whakamāramatanga | Key Information

Rā whakamutunga Closing date	31 October
Whaipainga Value	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$28,000 per 120 points of thesis enrolment.¹• Tuition fees for thesis enrolment only, at the Aotearoa New Zealand domestic rate.²• Student Services Levy for the term of the scholarship.
Wā roanga Tenure	The scholarship is tenable for the period necessary for a student to complete up to 360 points of enrolment. ³
Rahinga ia tau Number available annually	Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha University of Canterbury makes available up to three scholarships annually. Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu makes available up to two scholarships every third year.
Herenga tika Applicable enrolment/programmes during tenure	The scholarship is tenable during enrolment for a research doctoral degree ⁴ programme that is facilitated by Kā Waimaero Ngāi Tahu Centre. Recipients may be studying any discipline at the University, but preference is given to applicants whose projects promote mātauranga Māori and that are linked to the mission and current research foci of Kā Waimaero Ngāi Tahu Centre. ⁵
Herenga motuhake Special requirements	In the case of scholarships made available by Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, preference may be given to applicants with whakapapa Ngāi Tahu.

1. Aronga | Purpose

This scholarship supports doctoral students whose study is facilitated through Kā Waimaero Ngāi Tahu Centre at Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha | University of Canterbury.

2. Paearu māraurau | Eligibility criteria

Applicants must be enrolled, or intending to enrol, in a programme at the University for a research doctoral degree⁴ that is facilitated by the Kā Waimaero | Ngāi Tahu Centre.

3. Tukanga tononga | Application process

Applications must be made online at the Scholarships website⁶ by 31 October.

4. Tukanga kōwhiringa | Selection process

- 4.1 The University makes available up to three scholarships annually. Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu makes available up to two scholarships every third year.
- 4.2 The scholarship is awarded by Te Kaunihera | University Council on the recommendation of a selection committee comprising:
 - a. the Tumu Whakarae | Vice-Chancellor (or nominee);
 - b. the Kaihautū, Kā Waimaero | Director of the Ngāi Tahu Centre (or nominee); and
 - c. a member of the Kā Waimaero | Ngāi Tahu Centre Advisory Board.

5. Paearu kōwhiringa | Selection criteria

- 5.1 In making the recommendations, the selection committee considers the general suitability of the applicant and the proposed or current thesis topic, including:
 - a. ability of the applicant to pursue research;
 - b. academic achievement of the applicant;
 - c. relevance of the proposed project to iwi, hāpu, and whānau and their papakāinga; and
 - d. how the research may be applied for tribal benefit.

Preference is given to applicants whose projects promote mātauranga Māori and that are linked to the mission and current research foci of the Ngāi Tahu Centre.⁵ In the case of scholarships made available by Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, further preference may be given to applicants with whakapapa Ngāi Tahu.

- 5.2 If, in any year, there are fewer candidates of sufficient merit than there are scholarships available, fewer offers are made and the funds allocated for any unawarded scholarship may be used to make available additional Kā Waimaero | Ngāi Tahu Centre Postgraduate Scholarships.

6. Mahere utu | Value and payment schedule

- 6.1 The scholarship provides financial assistance as follows:
 - a. \$28,000 per 120 points of thesis enrolment¹
 - b. Tuition fees for thesis enrolment only, at the Aotearoa New Zealand domestic rate²
 - c. Student Services Levy for the term of the scholarship
- 6.2 The scholarship stipend is paid by direct credit to a recipient's nominated Aotearoa New Zealand bank account, in equal monthly instalments. The first payment is made as soon as practicable after confirmation of enrolment as specified in clause 7.2. The tuition fees and Student Services Levy are paid to the recipient's University fees account.

7. Paearu here | Tenability and retention criteria

- 7.1 The scholarship must be taken up in the year following the year of application. Every recipient not already enrolled in a doctoral programme should normally be enrolled in such a programme by 1 June in the year following the year of application. A recipient who is unable to enrol by this deadline must seek permission from the Amo Rangahau | Dean of Postgraduate Research (or nominee) to take up the scholarship at a later date. Without this permission the offer of the award is rescinded.
- 7.2 The scholarship is tenable during full-time or part-time enrolment in a programme at the University for a research doctoral degree⁴ that is facilitated by Kā Waimaero | Ngāi Tahu Centre. Recipients may be studying any discipline at the University, but preference is given to applicants whose projects promote mātauranga Māori and that are linked to the mission and current research foci of Kā Waimaero | Ngāi Tahu Centre.⁵
- 7.3 Recipients must have completed, or complete, at least one of the courses HIST 292: *Oral Traditions and Modern Histories of Ngāi Tahu* and LAWS 326: *Special Topic: Treaty Settlement Negotiations*. Recipients who have not already completed one of these two courses must enrol for a course at the first opportunity after tenure of the scholarship has commenced (unless alternative arrangements have been approved by the Amo Rangahau | Dean of Postgraduate Research, or nominee). If the

recipient enrolls in the course during tenure of the scholarship the tuition fees are paid by the scholarship.

- 7.4 The scholarship is tenable for the period necessary for a student to complete up to 360 points of enrolment.³
- 7.5 Co-tenure with any other award is permitted only with the permission of the Amo Rangahau | Dean of Postgraduate Research (or nominee). Conditions on a recipient's co-tenure may be imposed, such as reducing the amount of the stipend associated with the scholarship.⁷
- 7.6 If a recipient holds any other award that pays tuition fees, that award takes precedence in payment of the recipient's tuition fees. In such a case the forfeited fees payment(s) may not be reallocated to another programme of study.
- 7.7 Recipients must inform the Scholarships Office immediately if they suspend, complete, or otherwise cease their enrolment in an applicable doctoral programme.
- 7.8 If a recipient suspends enrolment in the applicable doctoral programme, a scholarship and associated payments are also suspended during this period. Suspension of the scholarship for longer than six months requires the approval of the Amo Rangahau | Dean of Postgraduate Research (or nominee). If the recipient does not resume the programme of research within one month of the end of any approved suspension period, the scholarship is terminated.
- 7.9 Following thesis submission, any remaining stipend is paid, up until the examination process is complete.
- 7.10 A recipient, with the permission of the Amo Rangahau | Dean of Postgraduate Research (or nominee), may retain their scholarship while enrolled as a distance student or while carrying out research for specified periods outside the University.
- 7.11 The scholarship may be withdrawn, and any paid funds may be recovered if, during tenure, the recipient does not:
- maintain an enrolment that meets the conditions specified in clause 7.2, and, if applicable, 7.3;
 - maintain satisfactory academic engagement and progress;⁸ and
 - adhere to the University's statutes, regulations, policies, and rules.

8. Whakamahuki | Background information

The scholarship was established in 2022 to replace the Ngāi Tahu Research Centre Doctoral Scholarship, which had been founded in 2011 from funding from Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha University of Canterbury and Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu.

Kā Waimaero | Ngāi Tahu Centre supports Ngāi Tahu research and resources across Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha, as detailed in the following mission statements:

Kā Waimaero | Ngāi Tahu Centre Mission Statements

- To create intellectual capital and leadership able to lead and support tribal development.*
- To establish Kā Waimaero | Ngāi Tahu Centre as the foremost indigenous Research Centre in New Zealand and the Pacific with strong links to the principal institutions that lead indigenous scholarship and development.*

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Pitopito kōrero | Notes

¹ The stipend is paid pro rata if a recipient is enrolled for fewer than 120 points in any year or has enrolled in a doctoral programme prior to 1 January of the year following the year of application.

² In no case will the fees payment commence, or be backdated to an enrolment date, prior to 1 January of the year following the year of application. The scholarship does not directly cover medical insurance or accommodation.

³ In the case of a student already enrolled for a doctoral degree at the University, the term of the scholarship stipend is reduced by any period in excess of 60 points that the recipient has already completed for the degree at the time that the scholarship is conferred.

⁴ For the University's definition of *research doctoral degree* see <https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/get-started/scholarships/glossary-of-terms/>.

⁵ For the mission and current research foci of Kā Waimaero | Ngāi Tahu Centre, see <https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/ntrc/scholarships/>.

⁶ www.canterbury.ac.nz/scholarships/

⁷ A candidate who is offered two UC-funded stipendiary doctoral scholarships may hold both scholarships in name. However, the scholarship value will be paid for just one of the scholarships, as nominated by the candidate.

⁸ For the University's definitions of *satisfactory academic engagement* and *satisfactory academic progress* with regard to scholarships, see <https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/get-started/scholarships/glossary-of-terms/>.