

## Regulations

### Key Information

<b>Closing date</b>	15 August
<b>Value</b>	\$5,000
<b>Tenure</b>	One year
<b>Number available annually</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Two for first-year undergraduates (Category A scholarships)</li><li>• Two for postgraduate students, including final-year honours students (Category B scholarships)</li></ul>
<b>Applicable courses of study during tenure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• First year of full-time study in an undergraduate degree programme at the University.</li><li>• Final year of a programme for an honours degree</li><li>• Any year of a programme for a postgraduate degree or a postgraduate diploma</li></ul>
<b>Citizenship/residency requirements</b>	None
<b>Co-tenability restrictions</b>	None

### 1. Purpose

The scholarship supports postgraduate and first-year undergraduate students at the University of Canterbury.

### 2. Eligibility criteria

2.1 Category A scholarships are tenable during full-time study in a programme at the University for an undergraduate degree, in a recipient's first year of enrolment in a degree programme.

Candidates for Category A scholarships must:

- a. have completed or be completing a university entrance qualification; and
- b. have been studying at secondary level in the year of application (or, in the case of a gap year, in the year immediately prior).<sup>1</sup>

2.2 Category B scholarships are tenable during full-time study at the University in:

- a. the final year of a programme for an Honours degree; or
- b. any year of a programme for a postgraduate degree or a postgraduate diploma.

### 3. Selection process

The scholarship is awarded by the Council of the University, on the recommendation of a selection committee that comprises:

- a. the Vice-Chancellor (or nominee);
- b. the President of the University of Canterbury Alumni South Island Chapter Executive Committee (or nominee); and
- c. the Executive Officer of the University of Canterbury Alumni South Island Chapter (or nominee).

## 4. Selection criteria

4.1 In making its recommendations the selection committee will consider:

- a. academic achievement;
- b. involvement in sporting, cultural and/or community activities; and
- c. affinity with the objectives of the University of Canterbury Alumni South Island Chapter, as demonstrated in a brief statement required as part of the application.

4.2 If in any year there are fewer candidates of sufficient merit for a category of award than there are scholarships available, fewer awards will be made. In such a case an unawarded scholarship may not be reallocated to the other category.

## 5. Application process

Applications must be made online at the Scholarships website<sup>2</sup> by 15 August.

## 6. Co-tenability restrictions

The scholarship is co-tenable with any other award, unless the conditions of the other award preclude this.

## 7. Payment schedule

7.1 If tuition fees are payable by the recipient, the scholarship is paid to the recipient's tuition fees account.

7.2 If tuition fees are not payable by the recipient, the scholarship is paid in two equal instalments, by direct credit to a recipient's nominated New Zealand bank account as soon as practicable after:

- a. the final dates, in the recipient's first and second semesters of study, on which a student may receive a full refund for withdrawal from a course; and
- b. confirmation of full-time enrolment in a programme of study as specified in clause 2.1 or clause 2.2.

## 8. Conditions of acceptance

8.1 The scholarship must be taken up in Semester 1 of the year following the year of application.

8.2 Unless otherwise specified in the offer letter, an offer of a scholarship will lapse if it is not formally accepted within one calendar month of the date of the offer.

8.3 By accepting the award, recipients:

- a. permit publication and announcement of their acceptance;
- b. permit publication of background information (provided by the recipient) and/or a photograph;
- c. agree to be reasonably available for promotional activity relating to the scholarship, including attendance at the presentation of the award at the Annual General Meeting of the University of Canterbury Alumni South Island Chapter, and reporting on his or her studies to a subsequent Annual General Meeting or similar meeting of the Chapter during the tenure of the scholarship.

8.4 In the event where a recipient's enrolment no longer meets the conditions specified in clause 2.1 (in the case of Category A recipients) or in clause 2.2 (in the case of Category B recipients), the scholarship will be withdrawn and any paid funds may be recovered.

8.5 Continuation of a scholarship is conditional on satisfactory academic engagement<sup>3</sup> and adherence to the University's statutes and regulations.

## 9. Background information

The University of Canterbury Alumni South Island Chapter established the scholarship in 2014. It replaces the University of Canterbury Alumni Association Scholarships, which had been first awarded in 1996, and which were then reviewed and relaunched in 2008. In 2013 the University of

Canterbury Alumni Association was wound up and the University of Canterbury Alumni South Island Chapter was founded.

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<sup>1</sup> For the University's definition of *gap year*, see <https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/getting-started/scholarships/scholarship-glossary-of-terms>.

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/getting-started/scholarships>

<sup>3</sup> For the University's definition of *satisfactory academic engagement* with regard to scholarships, see <https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/getting-started/scholarships/scholarship-glossary-of-terms>