

The Rotomairewhenua Taiao Scholarship

The Rotomairewhenua Taiao Scholarship was created in 2021 to invest in the the future taiao interests of the iwi. The scholarship is open to registered iwi members studying towards a tertiary qualification majoring in an environmental field.

Rotomairewhenua is a significant wāhi tapu site for Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō. The pure waters recognised as the clearest in the world, are where our tipuna would cleanse the remains of our people who had passed on. From here they would lay them in sacred burial caves and their spirit would follow the maunga to Onetāhua and return to the ancestral homeland. The waters of Rotomairewhenua represent our aspirations for our taiao, a pristine legacy we envision for our future generations.

Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō are actively involved in ensuring we are accountable and responsible kaitiaki of our taiao. This scholarship will incorporate employment opportunities, pathways, internships and mentoring.

Scholarship recipients will receive \$5,000 per year towards course fees and \$1,000 towards course materials and/or travel per annum for the duration of the course for up to three years (subject to annual satisfactory completion and submission of results).

One scholarship is available annually, with up to three scholars being funded at any one time.

The successful applicant may have the opportunity to undertake work or an internship (in a paid capacity) for the iwi on occasion (though no guarantee of work is provided by the Trust).

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

- Applicants must be a registered member of Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō.
- Applicants must be attending a recognised tertiary institution in New Zealand.
- Applicants must be enrolled in an undergraduate degree-level course majoring in the field of taiao.

CONDITIONS

- The successful applicant will make a commitment to participate and assist with iwi events where possible.
- The successful applicant will provide a report twice yearly to the Trustees of Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō. This is a way to offer the Trust an insight into how your tertiary experience is going, any challenges you may be facing and a chance to share in any successes you may be achieving.
- Scholarship recipients agree to the use of their photograph and summary profile being featured in Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō publications and digital media.
- Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō has entered into a partnership with the Māori Education Trust which allows our successful grant/scholarship recipients to receive additional funding for their study. As such, the applicant agrees to Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō Charitable Trust sharing this application and all associated documentation with the Māori Education Trust, for the purposes of receiving additional funding for tertiary studies.
- The successful applicant is ineligible for further education grants and scholarships from the Trust during the period of receiving this scholarship.
- The Trust's decision on any application is final.

PRIVACY

All information provided by the applicant is held by the Trust in accordance with relevant provisions of the Privacy Act.

CHECKLIST

Before submitting this application, please ensure that you have provided all required information and supporting material.

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| <input type="radio"/> Completed ALL sections | <input type="radio"/> Confirmation of acceptance into course of study |
| <input type="radio"/> Signed and dated the declaration on page 2 | <input type="radio"/> Documentation supporting your community involvement |
| <input type="radio"/> Attached copies of pertinent qualifications/academic records | |

CLOSING DATE

For details, please refer to [our website](#)

Post this application to:

Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō Trust
PO Box 708, Blenheim 7240

Or email:

office@ngatiapakiterato.iwi.nz

PERSONAL DETAILS

Registration number: _____ ☐ Male ☐ Female Gender diverse

Date of birth: _____

Surname: _____

First names: _____

Contact address: _____

Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Email address: _____

LEVEL OF TE REO

☐ I would like to learn ☐ I am learning ☐ I am familiar ☐ I am confident and fluent

BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

Bank name: _____

Branch name: _____

Name of account: _____

Account number: _____

DECLARATION

I confirm that the information contained in this application is true and correct.

Name of applicant: _____

Date: _____

Signature of applicant: Type here _____

OR insert digital signature here

PROPOSED COURSE OF STUDY FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR

This will be my ☐ Year 1 ☐ Year 2 ☐ Year 3 ☐ Year 4 ☐ Year 5 of tertiary study.

I enclose written confirmation of acceptance on the proposed course:

☐ Yes ☐ No, still waiting on confirmation.

Tertiary institution for this Degree	
Name of Degree	
Length of Degree	
Expected Degree completion year	

INVOLVEMENT IN TE AO MĀORI AND COMMUNITY

Please outline your involvement with whānau, hapū, iwi and in the local community

TAIAO ASPIRATIONS

In 300 – 500 words, please detail your aspirations for Taiao and its development for Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō. How will your chosen field of study and future career direction contribute to your aspirations for our environment and our people?

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Please detail how this scholarship will assist you financially in undertaking your chosen course of study, and any other scholarships/grants you have been awarded.

COSTS

What are your course fees for the year? \$ _____

Please list your anticipated **annual** costs over and above the course fees and associated materials:

Rent \$ _____

Food \$ _____

Internet \$ _____

Mobile \$ _____

Laptop \$ _____

Other (please specify) _____ \$ _____

Other (please specify) _____ \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

