

SG.11 TAURANGA MOANA IWI AND NGATI KAHU SCHOLARSHIP

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1. PURPOSE

This policy outlines the criteria and the associated process of awarding the Tauranga Moana Iwi and Ngati Kahu scholarship.

2. RATIONALE

Scholarships are intended to encourage and facilitate members of Tauranga Moana Iwi and Ngāti Kahu to study at Bethlehem Tertiary Institute. The intention is to support the growing relationship between local iwi, in particular Ngāti Kahu hapu and BTI.

3. POLICY

- 3.1. There are five (5) iwi scholarships that may be awarded by BTI annually. The scholarship is available to one (1) student from Ngāti Ranginui, one (1) from Ngāti Pukenga, one (1) from Ngāti rangi and two (2) from Ngāti Kahu at any one time. There can be no more than five recipients at any one time.
- 3.2. In the event that there are no applications from Tauranga Moana lwi the scholarship eligibility will be extended to iwi within the Waiariki roohe.
- 3.3. Each scholarship allows for the payment by BTI of one year of tuition fees. The student is responsible for payment of the associated levy.
- 3.4. Any shortfall between scholarship and the full cost of study is the responsibility of the student; payment of such to be made prior to commencement of study.
- 3.5. It is expected that scholarships will be awarded for a one-year duration and reviewed by the Scholarship Committee, which includes members of the Academic Board and Te Roopū Whakatere, at the end of each academic year.
- 3.6. All eligible applicants and current recipients of the scholarships will be invited to engage in a selection process with the scholarship committee.
- 3.7. If there are no new applications for a scholarship in the new academic year current recipients may be invited to apply for a subsequent year.
- 3.8. Tauranga Moani iwi and Ngāti Kahu are invited to recommend candidates for this award to the Institute not less than six (6) weeks prior to the commencement of the next intake. Recommendations by the iwi should be made in writing to Te Kaiarataki o Te Roopū Whakatere.
- 3.9. The candidate who the iwi is recommending for the scholarship, should apply by writing to Te Kaiarataki o Te Roopū Whakatere.
- 3.10. The candidates are required to meet with the Ngāti Kahu or iwi representatives who are endorsing them.
- 3.11. The Executive Leadership Team (ELT) will make a final decision based on recommendations from the Scholarship Committee, and will affirm the student as a scholarship recipient. This will be communicated in writing to the successful applicant. Acceptance of the scholarship will be made in writing as soon as practicable thereafter, with a copy to the Finance Officer.
- 3.12. BTI reserves all rights pertaining to the offer of a place at the institute. Admission processes and criteria will apply. In the event of a candidate not meeting BTI's admissions criteria, an alternative further recommendation maybe sought.
- 3.13. Recipients of the Tauranga Moana Iwi and Ngāti Kahu Scholarship are required to meet with the Scholarship Committee, and to provide a report (verbal or written) to their respective iwi of their progress in each scholarship year.
- 3.14. Recipients of the Tauranga Moana lwi and Ngāti Kahu Scholarship are required to gain a passing grade for all their courses to be considered for further Tauranga Moana lwi and Ngāti Kahu scholarships.