

SG.11 TAURANGA MOANA IWI AND NGĀTI KAHU SCHOLARSHIP POLICY			
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1 PURPOSE

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, and in particular Ngāti Kahu hapu and BTI. In the event that there are no applications from Tauranga Moana Iwi the scholarship eligibility will be extended to Iwi within the Waiariki roohe. This policy outlines the criteria and the associated process of making the award.

2 POLICY

- 1 There are five (5) iwi scholarships that may be awarded by BTI annually. The award is available to one (1) student from Ngāti Ranginui, one (1) from Ngāti Pukenga, one (1) from Ngāiterangi and two (2) students from Ngāti Kahu at any one time. In the event that there are no applications from Tauranga Moana Iwi the scholarship eligibility will be extended to Iwi within the Waiariki roohe. There can be no more than five recipients at any one time.
- 2 Each scholarship allows for the payment by BTI of one year's tuition fees. The student is responsible for payment of the associated levy. It is expected that scholarships will be awarded for a one-year duration and reviewed by a scholarship committee, which includes members of the Academic Board and Te Rōpū Whakatere, at the end of each academic year. All eligible students and current recipients of the scholarships will be invited to engage in a selection process with the scholarship committee.
- 3 In the event that there are no new applications for a scholarship in the new academic year current recipients may be invited to apply for a subsequent year.
- 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.
- 5 The 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. The candidates are required to meet with the Ngāti Kahu or Iwi representatives who are endorsing them.
- 6 The student who the iwi is recommending for the scholarship, should apply in the recommended way. Current admissions processes and criteria will apply.
- 7 Recommendations by the iwi should be made in writing to Te Kaiarataki o Te Rōpū Whakatere. The Executive Leadership Team (ELT) will make a final decision on the basis of recommendations from the Iwi Scholarship committee and 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.
- 8 BTI reserves all rights pertaining to the offer of a place at the institute. In the event of a candidate not meeting BTI's admissions criteria, an alternative further recommendation may be sought.
- 9 All recipients of the Iwi and Ngāti Kahu Scholarships are required to gain a passing grade for all their papers, 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.