

# Fonterra Massey University Pasifika Undergraduate Scholarship

## Scholarship Regulations

### Focus

Pasifika students

### Level of Study

Undergraduate

### Purpose

This scholarship provides support for Pasifika students enrolled in their first year of undergraduate studies at Massey University in a science or technology degree.

### Background

Fonterra is a proud New Zealand Co-operative built by generations of farming families. We believe nutritious food is essential to sustain people today, and for future generations to thrive, which is why we challenge ourselves to find new ways to bring our dairy goodness to people around the world.

Fonterra Research & Development Centre in Palmerston North is one of the largest dairy research facilities in the world and is home to 350 staff, including nutritionists, scientists, researchers and engineers. Fonterra offers excellent career paths in various disciplines and is keen to attract Pasifika talents into the dairy industry.

### Scholarship Encompasses

The value of the award is \$5,000 per annum, plus a paid (at the approximate value of \$11,000) summer internship each year from November to February at the Fonterra Research and Development Centre.

A mentor will be assigned to the successful applicant for the term of the scholarship. They will provide guidance on education to a career pathway in innovation and research and development.

The successful applicant will be expected to be a role model, and at outreach activities promote Pasifika students to study science, technology, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines for a career.

The tenure of the award is up to four years, conditional upon meeting the annual grade requirements.

### **Typical Number on Offer**

One award is available annually.

### **Eligibility**

Applicants must be:

- a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident of Pacific heritage/ethnicity
- enrolled full-time in their first year of undergraduate studies at Manawatū, Wellington campus and/or online at Massey University.

Preference will be given to applicants studying science, food technology, or information sciences.

### **Selection Criteria**

Preference will be given to students who demonstrate:

- academic achievement
- participation in community service or community engagement (e.g., involved in the local community)
- good character and well-rounded personality

A statement on how the scholarship will add to the prospect of successful completion will also be taken into consideration.

### **Selection Committee**

The scholarship is awarded by the Fonterra Research & Development Early Talent Committee in partnership with the Office of Pacific Student Success, Massey University.

The selection committee will be guided by principles of equity and diversity in the awarding of the scholarship to ensure equity of access to university education for Pasifika regardless of gender, culture, ethnicity, disability, socioeconomic status, or other diversities.

### **Conditions of the Scholarship**

Continuation of the award will be contingent upon academic performance in each year, with an expectation that scholarship students maintain an overall grade point average (GPA) of 5 (B) to continue to receive the scholarship monies and internship opportunity.

Recipients of the scholarship are expected to consent to their information being shared on Massey University Pacific and Fonterra communication platforms for the purpose of profiling the Pasifika scholarship programme and sharing their stories.

The scholarship may be held in conjunction with other scholarships, bursaries or awards, so long as these permit co-tenure.