

# Fonterra Massey University Food Technology Undergraduate Scholarship (Māori)

## Scholarship Regulations

### **Focus**

Māori tertiary students studying food technology at Massey University

### **Level of Study**

Undergraduate

### **Purpose**

This scholarship provides support for Māori students enrolled in their first year of a Bachelor of Food Technology with Honours undergraduate studies at Massey University.

### **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 Māori 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 from Fonterra 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 tuakana role model and engaged in outreach activities to promote more students who whakapapa Māori to study STEM subjects and disciplines as a career pathway.

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

The recipient of the award will also be encouraged to keep in touch with the Māori student support team (Te Rau Tauawhi) during their studies to ensure they receive appropriate and timely guidance throughout their studies that includes academic, pastoral and cultural support.

### **Typical Number on Offer**

One award is available annually.

### **Eligibility**

Applicants must be:

- a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident with whakapapa Māori (knowledge of iwi connections is essential)
- enrolling full-time in their first year of the Bachelor of Food Technology with Honours at Massey University

### **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, iwi, hapū, wider whānau and hāpori)
- good character and well-rounded personality
- a desire to contribute to Māori advancement and initiatives related to studies

A statement on how the scholarship will add to the prospect of successful completion and personal development, as well as the applicants demonstrated desire to study food technology, and their career prospects will also be taken into consideration.

### **Selection Committee**

The scholarship is awarded by the Fonterra Research & Development Early Talent Committee in partnership with the School of Food Technology & Natural Sciences and the Office of the DVC Māori, 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 all tangata Māori regardless of gender, level of competency in te reo and tikanga, 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 will engage with student support services at Massey University and 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 and Fonterra communication platforms for the purpose of profiling the Māori scholarship programme and sharing their stories.

The scholarship is not co-tenable with the Fonterra Massey University Food Technology Scholarship or the Fonterra Massey University Pasifika Undergraduate Scholarship, but may be held in conjunction with other scholarships, bursaries or awards, so long as these permit co-tenure. No reira;

He kai kei aku ringa

There is food in my hands

This whakataukī signifies the ability to use one's own resources and skills to provide for oneself and others and thus create success. It emphasizes resourcefulness and the potential for success through effort.