

PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) Undergraduate Food and Fibre Scholarship (Māori)

Scholarship Regulations

Focus

Tauira Māori

Level of Study

Undergraduate

Purpose

The PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) Undergraduate Food and Fibre Scholarship (Māori) supports Tauira Māori studying subjects related to the food and fibre sector at Massey University.

Background

PwC employs 370,000 people in 149 countries; it works for 86% of the Fortune 500. PwC is a tech-forward, people empowered network. With deep expertise and advanced capabilities, it helps harness technology, enables growth, and helps its clients prepare for any future. In New Zealand, PwC aims to play a part in securing the future of the food and fibre sector through tailored, expert advice and insights.

Manukura is PwC's dedicated network of kaimahi Māori and non-Māori who comprise one of the largest advisory teams for Māori in Aotearoa. This creates a unique value proposition in that it combines technical excellence within a te ao Māori context. Manukura operates under the principle of being a relationship builder; a connector and an interpreter that bridges the gap between te ao Māori and mainstream institutions.

The strength of Manukura is that it is deeply woven through PwC Aotearoa in all parts of the business and offices. This creates an environment where Māori new joiners can see themselves reflected, supported and empowered from day one.

PwC and Manukura recognise that Māori landowner's have huge potential to contribute increasingly to the food and fibre sector to benefit Māori. Governance of assets, potential land-use and the business model of land-trusts, channels to market, capability building of

rangatahi and ensuring decisions are made with a long-term horizon are key to this economy's success.

PwC would like to help build workforce capability in this sector by supporting rangatahi to study and develop skills in the broader agricultural sector. This scholarship has been created to support the growth of the skills base in this sector.

Value and Tenure

The value of the scholarship is \$7,000 and the tenure is one year.

The successful recipient will be offered mentorship for the duration of their studies by a member of PwC's Manukura and/or Food and Fibre teams and be invited to apply for internship and graduate opportunities.

Successful recipients may reapply for consideration by the panel in subsequent years and be awarded up to a maximum of three years.

Typical Number on Offer

Typically, one award is available annually.

Eligibility

Applicants must be:

- New Zealand citizens or permanent residents with whakapapa Māori (knowledge of iwi connections is essential)
- enrolled full time in one of the following qualifications at Massey University:
 - Bachelor of Agricultural Science
 - Bachelor of Agribusiness
 - Bachelor of Horticultural and Plant Systems
 - Bachelor of Animal Science
 - Bachelor of Food Technology (Honours)

Selection Criteria

Selection will be based on:

- academic achievement in studies completed to date
- active engagement with and/or participation in whānau, hapū, iwi or hapori Māori
- a desire to contribute to Māori advancement and initiatives related to studies

A statement on how the scholarship will help the candidate to successfully complete their degree, and aid their personal development, as well as the applicant's career aspirations, will be taken into consideration.

Preference will be given to students in their second or third year although, all eligible students are encouraged to apply.

Selection Committee

The scholarship is awarded by the University Scholarships Selection Committee.

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.

Conditions of the Scholarship

Recipients of the scholarship are encouraged to engage with the Māori student support team at Massey, including Te Rau Tauawhi, to ensure they receive guidance throughout their studies that includes academic, pastoral, and cultural support.

Recipients of the scholarship will consent to their information being shared on Massey University and PwC platforms.