

Scholarship & Award Regulations

Archiland Architecture and Construction Community Impact Scholarship

The following regulations relate to a scholarship offered by Archiland (**Sponsor**) and Unitec New Zealand Limited (**Unitec**). By applying for the scholarship, you agree to be bound by these regulations.

1. **SCHOLARSHIP NAME:** Archiland Architecture and Construction Scholarship (“**Scholarship**”)

2. **PURPOSE OF THE SCHOLARSHIP**

2.1 The purpose of the Scholarship is to provide financial support to a high achieving learner in a Building and Construction or Architecture related Level 6 and above programme, who is motivated to pursue a career in the industry and ensure outcomes that benefit Aotearoa’s communities in socially impactful ways.

2.2 Unitec recognises that financial support is an important consideration for our ākonga in managing their study goals. The scholarship provides both financial support and industry mentoring opportunities provided by the Sponsor.

2.3 Learners who can demonstrate academic excellence, are fluent in mandarin, have a commitment to learning and pursuing a career in the construction and/or architecture industry, incorporate social responsibility and show initiative in their personal life and/or study are encouraged to apply.

3. **SCHOLARSHIP FINANCIAL VALUE**

3.1 The value of the scholarship is \$2,000.00 for a full year of full-time study. The recipient of the Archiland Architecture and Construction Scholarship will receive up to 2-4 mentoring sessions (Up to 2 per semester) which may include career pathway and job seeking advice, industry practical knowledge, insight into latest architectural technology, social responsibility, building related public welfare or other activities offered at the discretion of the Sponsor.

3.2 Two financial scholarships will be awarded each calendar year. Short-listed finalists may be offered mentoring benefits only with no financial contribution.

3.3 The financial scholarship is provided to the selected recipients to cover education related costs and is paid in two equal payments of \$1,000.00 each semester; or pro-rated if studying part-time.

3.4 A pro-rata value will also be considered for learners who are already permitted to study part-time because they are either disabled learners or they have carers responsibilities as either sole parents or whanau/fanau members.

3.5 You may not defer or suspend the scholarship without the prior written permission of the awarding Head of School and Sponsor.

4. **DURATION**

4.1 The scholarship is awarded for one year i.e., two semesters of consecutive study.

5. **WHO IS ELIGIBLE**

5.1 To apply, you must:

- be fluent in Mandarin
- be enrolled full-time in one of the below Level 6 and above programmes

- New Zealand Diploma in Architectural Technology;
 - New Zealand Diploma in Construction (Construction Management)
 - New Zealand Diploma in Construction (Quantity Surveying)
 - New Zealand Diploma in Engineering (Civil)
 - New Zealand Diploma in Interior Design (Commercial)
 - New Zealand Diploma in Surveying
 - Bachelor of Architectural Studies
 - Bachelor of Construction (Construction Economics)
 - Bachelor of Construction (Construction Management)
 - Bachelor of Construction (Property Development)
 - Bachelor of Engineering Technology (Civil)
 - Bachelor of Landscape Architecture
 - Master of Architecture (Professional)
 - Master of Architecture
 - Master of Landscape Architecture
- have completed a minimum of 120 credits (equivalent of 1 year of full-time study) in one of the above programmes at Unitec;
 - have a GPA of 3.0 or above in your most recent semester of study.

6. HOW TO APPLY

6.1 Apply online using the online application form.

6.2 As part of your application you will need to respond to the following questions:

- why are you studying your particular Diploma, Bachelor or Master's Degree and what are you hoping to do with your degree after you complete it?
- what and/or who motivates you to succeed in your study?
- how do you give back to whānau/fanau, community and the Unitec whānau/community?
- In what ways can the Architecture and Building industry impact Aotearoa's communities and what personal values do you hope to take with you into the industry?
- how will this scholarship help support you with your studies?

6.3 If you are a disabled learner, sole parent, or a learner with other carer responsibilities, who is applying to study part-time, you will also be asked how does being able to study part-time remove barriers and help you to succeed in your goals?

7. SELECTION

7.1 Once scholarship applications close, the Scholarships & Mentoring Team ("Team") check that the applicants have:

- completed the scholarship application;
- enrolled in one of the eligible programmes of study listed in 5.1
- maintained enrolment in one of the programmes listed in 5.1 at Unitec and have completed a minimum of 120 credits in the programme; OR
- have a minimum GPA of 3.0 from their most recent semester of study.

7.2 The Team will add the learners' GPA scores from their most recent semester of Unitec study to all eligible applications. They then send the applications to the School of Building and Construction and School of Architecture Scholarship Selection Committee for review.

8. COMMITTEE PREFERENCING

8.1 It is important to Unitec to manaaki the success of our learners and communities. Our strategic vision includes parity goals for Māori, Pacific, and goals to enhance the success of disabled and neurodiverse learners. We also want to manaaki the success of first in family to pursue tertiary education, sole parents, and International ākonga.

8.2 Preference may be given to learners who demonstrate that financial support will have an impact on their ability to continue their studies.

9. SELECTION COMMITTEES

9.1 Selection committees are made up of at least three relevant members of Unitec, including the Head of Schools (or their delegates). Director Student Success (or their delegate) is the appointed Committee Chair (“Committee”).

9.2 The Sponsor will be invited to participate in the selection committee review or may request to review a shortlist advised by the Selection Committee.

9.3 The Committee review all applications received and will make award recommendations based on a combination of:

- responses to the scholarship questions;
- GPA scores; and
- The preference criteria stipulated in clause 8.1 and 8.2 above.

9.5 Committee award decisions are authorised by the Director, Student Success, upon confirmation from Archiland of their formalised final Recipient selection.

10. WHAT HAPPENS AFTER SELECTION

10.1 The Scholarships & Mentoring team are the kaitiakitanga of the scholarships process. They will:

- let ākonga know scholarship application outcomes
- check enrolments at week three of the semester as the final eligibility check
- set up the first payments – to be made to ākonga in week four of semester 4
- manage ongoing eligibility checks, mentoring opportunities, and second payments

11. ONGOING ELIGIBILITY

11.1 Academic progress: Learners who are awarded the scholarship are expected to continue to do well in their studies. You must maintain a C+ average (minimum GPA 3.0) or a Pass grade for all courses that are Pass/Fail only.

11.2 Ākonga who fail one or more courses will be assisted by the Scholarships & Mentoring team to explain their circumstances via a breach appeals process.

11.3 Appeals are considered by the awarding scholarship selection Committee. The Committee Chair will decide whether to terminate or maintain the scholarship, and will also suggest academic assistance, wherever possible, to support the ākonga.

11.2 Unitec Enrolment: Learners are expected to maintain their enrolment status, i.e., be enrolled full-time (minimum of 60 credits) per semester, or part-time as stipulated when their scholarship was awarded.

12. TERMINATION OF A SCHOLARSHIP

12.1 Your scholarship will be ended/terminated by Unitec if:

- you withdraw from the Unitec course/programme after the start of the programme
- you cease to meet the eligibility criteria;
- you breach the academic and enrolment eligibility requirements and don't successfully appeal; or
- Unitec determines that you are guilty of misconduct and after consultation with the Director Student Success (or their nominee), deems that it is not appropriate for you to continue to hold the Scholarship.

12.2 If Unitec terminates the Recipients Scholarship for any of the above reasons, after the start of Semester 1 or 2, Unitec may require any Scholarship payment(s) already made be reimbursed to Unitec.

13. OTHER OBLIGATIONS AND CONDITIONS:

- The offer of the Scholarship is made subject to all information provided by the Recipient being true and accurate.
- By accepting the offer of the Scholarship, the Recipient agrees to these Regulations.
- For the duration of this scholarship ākonga are not allowed to hold other Unitec funded scholarships, unless a priority group or equity-based scholarship is approved by the Selection Committee. Ākonga are limited to accessing a maximum of \$5,000 of Unitec funded scholarships per academic year.
- The Recipient is responsible for advising the Scholarships Manager of any changes in circumstances that would make him/her ineligible for continuation of the Scholarship, e.g. reducing study load to part time, taking leave of absence or deferring study.
- Any change in the Recipient's circumstances not addressed by these Regulations will be considered by the Scholarships Manager and/or the Scholarship Selection Committee case-by-case.
- By accepting the offer of the Scholarship, the Recipient agrees to allow for their personal information to be provided to Archiland (Sponsor) and authorises Unitec and Archiland to use that information (acting reasonably) (names, photos and images) for marketing and promotional purposes without further compensation.
- Unitec is committed to The Education (Pastoral Care of Tertiary and International Learners) Code of Practice and ensuring the wellbeing of our learners. The scholarships team will track and monitor recipients and check in throughout the duration of the scholarship.
- The Scholarship is not transferrable or exchangeable.