# **Scholarship & Award Regulations**

# United NZ English Language Academic Excellence Scholarships

**Schools: Bridgepoint** 

This document sets out the regulations for the scholarship ('Scholarship') or award ('Award') named below, as well as the obligations of recipients ('Recipient') and Unitec in regards to this Scholarship. The administrative processes to support awarding this Scholarship will be managed, and may be amended, in accordance with Unitec Policy and Procedures (to be created).

**1. SCHOLARSHIP NAME:** United NZ English Language Academic Excellence Scholarships

#### 2. PURPOSE

The Unitec NZ English Language Academic Excellence Scholarships were established in 2019 to encourage and motivate students completing NZCEL Level 3 Applied to do well in their studies and progress to NZCEL Level 4. The Unitec NZ English Language Academic Excellence Scholarships supports students with education related costs.

#### 3. VALUE AND DURATION

- **3.1 Number of Recipients:** Approximately ten (10) scholarships will be granted annually contingent on available funding.
- **3.2 Benefit(s) to Recipient:** The maximum value of the scholarship will be \$500 to each Recipient to assist in covering education related costs.

#### 3.3 Payment of benefit(s):

- Each Recipient will receive one payment by cheque or electronic funds transfer to his/her nominated bank account.
- Each payment will be up to \$500.
- Payments will usually be made during week four of the semester 1, 1B, 2 or 2B.
- Payments are subject to the Recipient successfully satisfying ongoing eligibility criteria as defined in clause 8 below.
- **4. DURATION:** The duration of the Scholarship is one Semester.

#### **5. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

To be eligible for the Scholarship, an applicant must meet all of the following criteria:

- Currently or previously enrolled in the United NZCEL Level 3 Applied programme.
- Be starting NZCEL Level 4 the semester the scholarship is awarded.



- Must meet the entry criteria for NZCEL Level 4.
- Have submitted an application to Unitec to be admitted full-time into NZCEL Level 4.

#### 6. RECIPIENT SELECTION CRITERIA, IN PRIORITY ORDER

- Academic Achievement: GPA from previous semester of study at Unitec.
- Motivation to succeed in their chosen course, as demonstrated in the Scholarship application.

#### 7. SELECTION

Eligible candidates will be presented to a Scholarship Selection Committee, which will undertake the selection of Recipients based on the selection criteria stipulated in clause 6.

The Scholarships Selection Committee will be made up of at least three relevant members of Unitec, and will include a representative from Bridgepoint Language Studies. The Scholarships Selection Committee will be chaired by the HOS, Bridgepoint. Scholarship offers will be authorised by the Director, Student Success.

#### 8. ONGOING RECIPIENT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

# 8.1 Academic progress:

N/A

#### 8.2 Unitec Enrolment:

The Recipient:

- Begin NZCEL Level 4 the semester the scholarship has been awarded, as indicated on the offer letter.
- Must continue to be enrolled full time (minimum of 60 credits) per semester NZCEL Level 4.

## 8.3 Leave / Deferral / Programme withdrawal:

• If the Recipient defers the Unitec offer or withdraws from the Unitec course/programme after the start of Semester 1, the Scholarship will be terminated.

# 8.4 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, each Recipient agrees to the Regulations.
- For the duration of the scholarship the recipient is not permitted to hold other Unitec scholarships, unless an equity-based scholarship is approved by exception.
- The offer of the Scholarship is only valid for the intake defined in the Scholarship letter of offer and cannot be deferred.



- 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.
- The Recipient will be invited to consent to allowing his/her name, photograph and a short article to be used for the promotion of Unitec.

### 9. TERMINATION OF RECIPIENT'S SCHOLARSHIP

The Scholarship will terminate:

- If the Recipient ceases to meet the eligibility criteria; or
- If the Recipient breaches any regulations of the Scholarship; or
- If United determines that the student is guilty of misconduct and after consultation with the Director Student Success (or their nominee), deems that it is not appropriate for the Recipient to continue to hold the Scholarship.
- If Unitec terminates the Recipients Scholarship for any of the above reasons, after the start of the Semester 1 or 2, any Scholarship payment already made may be asked to be reimbursed to Unitec

