



NMIT Scholarship 2026
Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō - Iwi Scholarship
Applicant Terms of Reference

Value:

Up to \$1,000 (including GST if payable) towards course fees for ākonga with Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō whakapapa and studying a programme at NMIT.

Application due date:

Sunday 17 May 2026 midnight

Selection criteria:

- Must be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident and member of the Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō Iwi.
- Applicants must be enrolled on a programme at NMIT.

What you need to provide:

Applicants must demonstrate the potential to succeed in their studies with NMIT by providing the required documentation during the application process:

- A statement of approximately 200 words describing their chosen study, future career plans, and explain their goals for the future.

What do you receive:

The scholarship is a one-off payment towards course fees at the value previously stated.

What do you need to commit to:

- May need to attend a scholarship panel interview if required.
- Recipient is expected to attend the scholarship awards ceremony in Nelson or Wairau.
- Agree to be available for promotional purposes by Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō or NMIT as per your Media Consent Form.



Terms and conditions:

1. The scholarship may not be awarded in any given year if the calibre of the applicants does not meet the required standards, even if this decision is made after the application date for the scholarship has passed.
2. Applications must be completed online via NMIT's website and received by the application due date. Late applications will not be accepted.
3. This scholarship cannot be taken in conjunction with any other NMIT scholarship.
4. The scholarship does not cover student association fees, resit costs or repeat course costs.
5. The recipient must have commenced study with NMIT and payment of the Programme of study has been made within the NMIT Guidelines, not relying solely on the outcome of the scholarship being awarded.
6. If the recipient withdraws, or does not complete course requirements, the scholarship may need to be repaid. This will be at the discretion of Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō and NMIT.
7. The recipient must advise scholarships@nmit.ac.nz of any change to their circumstances relating to their study with NMIT.
8. The scholarship award decision will be made by Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō.
9. Upon being awarded the scholarship the recipient must complete and forward the **Acceptance Agreement** and the **Media Consent Form** to scholarships@nmit.ac.nz. This initiates their acceptance of the scholarship and indicates their agreement to perform any obligations, as stated in the Terms of Reference associated with this scholarship.
10. In accordance with the Privacy Act 2020, the recipient will need to sign a Media Consent Form giving permission for NMIT and Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō to use their personal information for publicity in relation to the scholarship. The recipient can control the content and the length of time it is used.
11. Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō and NMIT will promote the Ngāti Apa ki te Rā Tō - Iwi Scholarship recipients in appropriate media in Te Taihū and throughout New Zealand and within NMIT marketing material which includes brochures, website, and display materials.
12. The award of a scholarship shall become void after two weeks if the **Acceptance Agreement** and the **Media Consent Form** are not completed and forwarded to scholarships@nmit.ac.nz.
13. The scholarship winner will be announced in the academic year and awarded at the scholarship ceremony which you are encouraged to attend.
14. The agreed scholarship amount will be paid to StudyLink or to NMIT towards course fees. If the recipient has paid their fees themselves, or if fees are covered by Fees Free, the scholarship amount will be deposited into a nominated bank account.

StudyLink notes:

Recent permanent residents and Australian citizens will now be subject to a three year stand down before they can access student loans via StudyLink. For more information, please contact www.studylink.govt.nz