



**NMIT Scholarship 2026  
Fifeshire-Hancock Scholarship  
Applicant Terms of Reference**

**Value:**

Up to \$10,000.00 (including GST if payable) towards living expenses.

**Aim of the scholarship:**

The Fifeshire Foundation and Hancock-Pollard Family & Charitable Trust (Fifeshire-Hancock) have made this scholarship available for a deserving, meritorious, in-need student (ākonga) undertaking the final year of study on a degree programme at NMIT.

**Application due date:**

Friday 13 November 2026, 5.00 pm.

**Selection criteria:**

- Applicant must be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident who shows a commitment to the Nelson Tasman region.
- Applicant must be intending to enrol in their final year study on a degree programme.

**The preferred candidate should demonstrate the following attributes/qualities:**

- A commitment to the Nelson Tasman Region.
- Community involvement, volunteer roles and willingness to give back where possible.
- Meritorious, in need of support for living expenses and from their interests, activities, ambitions and perceived personality most likely to make a positive contribution to society.
- The potential to succeed in their studies.

**What you need to provide:**

1. Complete the online application process:
  - a) Provide a department recommendation from your tutor and countersigned by the Programme Team Lead.
  - b) Academic transcripts from previous years of study and an academic endorsement from a current or previous tutor/teacher.
2. Completed Fifeshire-Hancock Scholarship application form answering all questions:
  - a) outlining their chosen study, future career plans, life goals, interests, activities and attributes.
  - b) information required by Fifeshire Foundation to ascertain financial hardship - a budget sheet and/or provide income evidence as required.

**What do you receive:**

\$10,000.00 towards living expenses. The scholarship award money will be paid by Fifeshire Foundation into the recipient's nominated bank account in equal tranches for the recipient's living costs at the commencement of each term or semester subject to short progress report signed off by tutor and sent to Donor and Fifeshire Foundation.

**What do you need to commit to:**

- The recipient is encouraged to attend the scholarship awards ceremony in Nelson and is also invited to a morning tea celebration with Fifeshire Foundation and the Donor.
- Agree to be available for promotional purposes by Fifeshire-Hancock or NMIT as per your Media Consent Form.



- Available for an interview with Fifeshire-Hancock.

#### 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 Fifeshire-Hancock and NMIT.
7. The recipient must advise [scholarships@nmit.ac.nz](mailto: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 Fifeshire-Hancock. Upon being awarded the scholarship the recipient must complete and forward the **Acceptance Agreement** and the **Media Consent Form** to [scholarships@nmit.ac.nz](mailto: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.
9. In accordance with the Privacy Act 2020, the recipient will need to sign a Media Consent Form giving permission for NMIT and Fifeshire-Hancock 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.
10. Fifeshire-Hancock and NMIT will promote the Fifeshire-Hancock Scholarship recipients in appropriate media in Te Taihū and throughout New Zealand and within NMIT marketing material which includes brochures, website, and display materials.
11. 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](mailto:scholarships@nmit.ac.nz).
12. The scholarship winner will be announced in the academic year and awarded at the scholarship ceremony which you are encouraged to attend.
13. The agreed scholarship amount will be paid to the recipients in equal tranches at the commencement of each term or semester.

#### 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](http://www.studylink.govt.nz)