University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship

Established by the University of Otago Council in 2006 to assist students who have demonstrated academic ability and who exhibit leadership potential to attend the University of Otago.

Eligibility

Applications are open to intending students who are:

- New Zealand citizens or permanent residents.
- Intending to enrol for full-time undergraduate study at the University of Otago for the first time in the year following the closing date.

Application Process

Every applicant must:

- Submit an application to the University of Otago Doctoral and Scholarships Office by the specified closing date.
- Provide details of activities in which they have taken responsibility, shown leadership, or contributed to their community, as outlined on the application form.
- Arrange for a reference from their School Principal, Deputy Principal, Assistant Principal, Year 13 Dean or equivalent, to be forwarded to the University of Otago Doctoral and Scholarships Office by the required date.
- Attach to their application form, or authorise access to, their most recent results in NCEA or equivalent.

Selection Process

The Selection Committee consisting of the Director, Graduate Research Services, in the chair, the Director of Marketing and Communications and the Manager of Doctoral and Scholarships, or their nominees, and representatives from each academic Division, shall consider the following factors in recommending the award of the scholarships:

- Academic ability (a minimum of NCEA Level 2 awarded with merit, or equivalent, is required for consideration).
- Demonstrated leadership potential.
- Sporting and/or cultural involvement.
- Contribution to the community.
Financial Arrangements

- The scholarship, currently valued at $5000, is normally received in the form of reduced Residential College fees and/or tuition fees for the first year of study at the University of Otago. Scholars whose normal place of residence is outside of Dunedin are guaranteed placement in a Residential College for their first year of study, though the University does not guarantee placement at the recipient’s first choice of Residential College.

Tenure

- The Scholarship will be for the first year of study only.
- The Scholarship will usually be taken up in the year for which it is awarded; however students may apply in writing to the Manager, Doctoral and Scholarships Office, for permission to defer starting the scholarship for up to one year. Deferrals will not usually be granted where a recipient is proceeding to study at another tertiary institution prior to taking up the scholarship.
- The University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship may be held concurrently with the University of Otago Dux Scholarship, but in such cases the remuneration for the Dux Scholarship will not be paid. The University of Otago Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship may not be held concurrently with any other University of Otago scholarship valued at more than $3,000.

Other Requirements

Each Scholarship recipient must:

- Obtain entrance to the University.
- Agree to reasonable requests from the University of Otago to appropriately represent the University and the scholarship.