

Māori Bridging Scholarships

Division of Humanities

For intending postgraduate students

The Division of Humanities at the University of Otago is offering several Bridging Scholarships for Māori students in 2026. These awards are designed to encourage graduating Māori students to proceed to their first year of taught postgraduate study in Humanities.

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

\$10,000 plus tuition fee waiver for one year.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- 1) Applicants must be Māori students with a bachelor's degree who will be enrolling for their first year of taught postgraduate study in an honours, postgraduate diploma, or coursework master's qualification in Humanities that includes a research component of between 40 and 60 points, or an equivalent course of study, such as the first year of a two-year master's qualification.
- 2) Applicants must be enrolled for a full-time, part-time, on-campus or distance programme taught in the Division of Humanities.
- 3) Applicants must have a B average GPA. See otago.ac.nz/study/student-exchange/exchange-gpa.
- 4) Applicants must be New Zealand residents.

APPLICATIONS FOR THESE SCHOLARSHIPS CLOSE ON FRIDAY 13th NOVEMBER 2026
YOU MUST BE AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEWS IN LATE NOVEMBER, SHOULD YOU BE SHORTLISTED

SELECTION PROCESS

- A selection panel will review all applications that are received by 4:30pm, on the closing date, and shortlist those to interview in LATE November.
- Interviews will comprise of a short presentation (five minutes) by you on your course/research interest, three to four set questions and free exchange.
- Scholarship recipients will be selected and notified in writing by the Scholarships Office towards the end of December.

CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE

- Successful recipients must agree to assist the Division of Humanities as required with student support initiatives and promotion.
- The Division of Humanities has the power to terminate or suspend a scholarship for any behavior that brings the Division or University into disrepute, whether before or during the scholarship period.

Application forms are available from the Humanities Kaiāwhina Office, 1st Floor Office 1.C.9a, Arts Building.

They can also be found at: otago.ac.nz/humanities/forms

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Or check out: otago.ac.nz/humanities/forms