

# 2024



# POPO Pacific Chemistry Scholarship

## CHEM150 Concepts in Chemistry

Support through CHEM150 and The Chemical Basis of Biology and Human Health (CHEM191)



### About this scholarship

The POPO Pacific Chemistry Scholarship is run through the Pacific Islands Research and Student Support Unit (PIRSSU) at the University of Otago. The scholarship supports Pacific students to prepare for the CHEM191 Chemical Basis of Biology and Human Health paper, as part of Health Sciences First Year (HSFY). Designed to support Pacific students interested in a career in health, the Pacific Opportunities Programmes at Otago (POPO) CHEM150 Scholarship provides access to the CHEM150 programme, as well as continuous support through the CHEM191 paper and HSFY.

### POPO Pacific CHEM150 Scholarship covers:

- Tuition fees for the University of Otago CHEM150 programme.
- Residential college accommodation for the duration of the CHEM150 course (two weeks). The initial four weeks are completed via distance learning.
- Additional resources, tutorials and academic support throughout enrolment in CHEM191.

POPO Pacific CHEM150 Scholarship staff will meet with individual recipients at key points throughout the semester to provide support where needed. Recipients are expected to engage in additional CHEM191 academic support available as part of the scholarship.

### About the CHEM150 course

The purpose of this course is to provide students with the background knowledge and study skills necessary to confidently undertake the CHEM191 Chemical Basis of Biology and Human Health paper at Otago. It is designed for students whose learning in secondary school chemistry is incomplete, having not taken Year 13 (NCEA Level 3) chemistry. Students undertaking this course will still need to meet the University's admission and entrance criteria in order to proceed to full credit study.

### Criteria for the POPO Pacific Scholarship

Successful applicants must:

- Have Pacific Indigeneity.
- Show a commitment to pursue Health Sciences study and a career in health.
- Have met the entry requirements for the University of Otago CHEM150 course.

### Application process

Students must enrol into the CHEM150 paper at Summer School and Health Sciences First Year (HSFY) to be considered for the scholarship.

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### Contacts

#### POPO Pacific CHEM150 Scholarship | POPO Team

For any queries about this application or application process, please contact the scholarship co-ordinator.

Email: [popo@otago.ac.nz](mailto:popo@otago.ac.nz)

#### CHEM150 Concepts in Chemistry

For information about the CHEM150 course, contact the course co-ordinator.

Email: [davidm@chemistry.otago.ac.nz](mailto:davidm@chemistry.otago.ac.nz)

#### Accommodation

Accommodation for scholarship recipients will be provided at a designated residential college for the duration of the in-person portion of the CHEM150 course. Recipients will be notified of accommodation arrangements once the selection process is complete.

# POPO Pacific Chemistry Scholarship – CHEM150 application form

Deadline subject to change. Submit your completed application to [popo@otago.ac.nz](mailto:popo@otago.ac.nz)

## Personal details

Name

Address

Mobile

Email

Gender

## Optional: To which ethnic group(s) do you belong?

Ethnicity

## What background in chemistry do you have?

Please provide details:

Result

Year

Year 13

Year 12

Year 11

## Current Year 13 subjects

Please provide details:

## Current school attending

Please provide details:

## Do you plan to enrol for the HSFY course?

Yes

No

Unsure

## Personal statement

Please explain your interest in a career in health (150 words max)

Please explain how this scholarship will contribute to your academic goals and pursuits (150 words max)

## Privacy statement

The information requested in this application form and your academic record will be used for the purposes of assessing your application for the POPO Pacific Chemistry Scholarship. Information may also be used for statistical purposes. This potential use would aggregate data and not identify individual applicants.

I have read and understood the privacy statement above and agree to its conditions.

## Declaration of applicant

I have read and understood the entry criteria, purpose, obligations and expectations of the POPO Pacific Chemistry Scholarship. I agree to abide by these.

I confirm all the information supplied in this form is true and correct.

I understand POPO Pacific Chemistry Scholarship applicants must also complete and apply for the University of Otago CHEM150 paper.

I understand that checking this box constitutes a legal signature confirming that I acknowledge and agree to the terms and conditions of this application.