

2016-17 CFA[®] Exam Student Scholarships



Are you interested in a career in funds management, investment banking or finance in general? The CFA Charter is a globally recognized symbol of integrity and professional excellence.

The Department of Accountancy & Finance has a limited number of scholarships for December 2016 and June 2017 exams. These are available to full-time undergraduate and full or part-time post-graduate students wishing to enrol in the CFA program for the first time. Awarded on the basis of your marks and a personal essay on how the CFA charter will benefit you in your career.

To qualify for the December 2016 exam (Level I only) or the June 2017 exam (Levels I, II and III), you must complete your BCom requirements by December 2016.

Enrolment in the CFA exam program includes all required readings and an online sample exam. The scholarship requires a minimum payment of US\$350 (approximately NZ\$490) for a savings of at least US\$925 (approximately NZ\$1294). All exams are held in Auckland.

Winners are responsible for all travels costs, calculators, and all other expenses. Neither the CFA Institute nor the University of Otago provide additional financial support.

The time commitment for study is roughly 250-300 hours. With failure rates exceeding 60% in recent years, it is important to manage your study time accordingly. Students are advised to allow three months to prepare for each exam. Note that the contents of the Level I, II and III exams are available to view in the close reserve section of the Central Library.

For more information, see the CFA Institute website (<http://www.cfainstitute.org/cfaprog/index.html>), or contact

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Application forms can be found on the Department of Accountancy and Finance website. Applications are due by **5.00 pm Thursday 4 August 2016.**