

# Rotary Club of Christchurch Blackgrove Scholarship

## Waeture | Regulations

### Whakamāramatanga | Key Information

<b>Rā whakamutunga Closing date</b>	7 August
<b>Whaipainga   Value</b>	\$5,000
<b>Wā roanga   Tenure</b>	One year
<b>Rahinga ia tau   Number available annually</b>	One
<b>Herenga tika   Applicable enrolment/programmes during tenure</b>	Full-time enrolment in the first year of an undergraduate degree programme at Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha   University of Canterbury
<b>Herenga motuhake Special requirements</b>	Must have resided continuously in the Canterbury Regional Council <sup>1</sup> area for at least 12 months immediately preceding the closing date for applications or preceding the start of a gap year

### 1. Aronga | Purpose

This scholarship supports students intending to study at Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha | University of Canterbury who face challenges that might otherwise prevent them from considering entry to tertiary education.

### 2. Paearu māraurau | Eligibility criteria

2.1 Applicants must be Year-13 students or on a gap year.<sup>2</sup>

2.2 Applicants, on the closing date of application (or, in the case of a gap year, on the corresponding date in the previous year), must have resided continuously in the Canterbury Regional Council<sup>1</sup> area for at least 12 months.

### 3. Tukanga tononga | Application process

3.1 Applications must be made online at the Scholarships website<sup>3</sup> by 11:59 pm (NZT) on 7 August.

### 4. Tukanga kōwhiringa | Selection process

4.1 One scholarship is available annually.

4.2 The scholarship is awarded by Te Kaunihera | University Council on the recommendation of a selection committee comprising:

- the Tumu Whakarae | Vice-Chancellor (or nominee); and
- three members of the Rotary Club of Christchurch.

## 5. Paearu kōwhiringa | Selection criteria

5.1 In making the recommendation, the selection committee considers:

- a. challenges being faced in entering tertiary education (for example, financial difficulty and other personal circumstances);
- b. academic achievement as indicated by quality of achievement at NCEA Level 2 or in equivalent university entrance qualifications; and
- c. likelihood of successful completion of the chosen programme of study.

Emphasis will be put on financial difficulty facing the applicant. Preference will be given to applicants who have been educated within the territory of Christchurch City Council<sup>1</sup>.

5.2 If, in any year, there is no candidate of sufficient merit, no scholarship is offered.

## 6. Mahere utu | Value and payment schedule

6.1 The scholarship provides financial assistance at a value of \$5,000.

6.2 The scholarship is paid to the recipient's University fees account.

## 7. Paearu here | Tenability and retention criteria

7.1 The scholarship must be taken up in Semester One of the year following the year of application.<sup>4</sup>

7.2 The scholarship is tenable during full-time enrolment in the first year of an undergraduate degree programme at Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha | University of Canterbury.

7.3 The scholarship is tenable for one year.

7.4 The scholarship is not co-tenable with any other scholarship, prize or award that comprises a payment towards tuition fees.

7.5 The recipient will be expected to attend a meeting of the Rotary Club of Christchurch, at which the award of the scholarship will be acknowledged. Occasional attendance at other meetings of the Club may also be expected.

7.6 The scholarship may be withdrawn, and any paid funds may be recovered if, during tenure, the recipient does not:

- a. maintain an enrolment that meets the conditions specified in clause 7.2;
- b. maintain satisfactory academic engagement;<sup>5</sup> and
- c. adhere to the University's statutes, regulations, policies, and rules.

## 8. Whakamahuki | Background information

The scholarship was established in 2007 by a gift of \$100,000 to the University of Canterbury Foundation, with the intention of providing, in perpetuity, a scholarship for first-year students. It records a significant financial legacy for charitable purposes received by the Rotary Club of Christchurch from one of its members, the late Jack Blackgrove.

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**Tuhinga i mua | Previous versions:** June 2013; April 2014; June 2022

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## Pitopito kōrero | Notes

<sup>1</sup> <https://mapviewer.canterburymaps.govt.nz/?webmap=38f803f9c3af4c2492462dad7b5a745e>

<sup>2</sup> For the University's definition of gap year with regard to scholarships see <https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/getting-started/scholarships/glossary-of-terms>.

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/getting-started/scholarships>

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<sup>4</sup> Uptake of the scholarship cannot be deferred unless there are exceptional extenuating circumstances, such as compelling medical reasons or adverse personal circumstances beyond a student's control. Those seeking exception would need to contact [scholarships@canterbury.ac.nz](mailto:scholarships@canterbury.ac.nz)

<sup>5</sup> For the University's definition of *satisfactory academic engagement* with regard to scholarships, see <https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/getting-started/scholarships/glossary-of-terms>.