

# UC Mathematics and Statistics Aspire Scholarship

Waeture | Regulations

## Whakamāramatanga | Key Information

<b>Rā whakamutunga Closing date</b>	15 August
<b>Whaipanga   Value</b>	\$2,000
<b>Wā roanga   Tenure</b>	One year
<b>Rahinga ia tau   Number available annually</b>	Up to four
<b>Herenga tika   Applicable enrolment/programmes during tenure</b>	Full-time enrolment in a programme for a BA, BDataSci, or BSc with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• a major in Data Science and an enrolment in (a) MATH 102, and (b) STAT 101 or DATA 101; or</li><li>• a major in Financial Engineering and an enrolment in MATH 103 and STAT 101; or</li><li>• a major in Mathematics and an enrolment in MATH 103; or</li><li>• a major in Statistics and an enrolment in STAT 101.</li></ul> Recipients who have completed MATH 199 are exempt from enrolling in MATH 102 or MATH 103.

### 1. Aronga | Purpose

This scholarship recognises and supports students with high potential at Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha | University of Canterbury who are entering their first year of a programme for a BA, BDataSci, or BSc degree and majoring in Data Science, Financial Engineering, Mathematics, or Statistics.

### 2. Paearu māraurau | Eligibility criteria

Applicants must not have been enrolled in a degree programme at any tertiary institute.<sup>1</sup> International students who meet this requirement are eligible to apply.

### 3. Tukanga tononga | Application process

Applications must be made online at the Scholarships website<sup>2</sup> by 15 August.

### 4. Tukanga kōwhiringa | Selection process

4.1 Up to four scholarships are available annually.

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

- a. the Tumu Whakarae | Vice-Chancellor (or nominee);

- b. the Tumuaki Kura, Te Kura Pāngarau | Head of the School of Mathematics and Statistics (or nominee); and
- c. the Amo Tuarua (Ahoranga) | Associate Dean (Academic: First Year) (or nominee).

## 5. Paearu kōwhiringa | Selection criteria

- 5.1 In making the recommendation, the selection committee gives equal consideration to:
- a. the University's commitment to broadening participation from under-represented groups, particularly those from lower socio-economic backgrounds and/or first in family;
  - b. demonstrated commitment to, or interest in, the intended degree programme; and
  - c. academic achievement at NCEA Level 2 or in equivalent university entrance qualifications; and
- 5.2 If, in any year, there are fewer candidates of sufficient merit than there are scholarships available, fewer scholarships are offered.

## 6. Mahere utu | Value and payment schedule

- 6.1 The scholarship provides financial assistance at a value of \$2,000.
- 6.2 The scholarship is paid by direct credit to a recipient's nominated Aotearoa New Zealand bank account as soon as practicable after:
- a. the final date, in the first semester of enrolment, on which a student may receive a full refund for withdrawal from a course;<sup>3</sup> and
  - b. confirmation of enrolment as specified in clause 7.2.

## 7. Paearu here | Tenability and retention criteria

- 7.1 The scholarship must be taken up in the year following the year of application.
- 7.2 The scholarship is tenable during full-time enrolment at the University in a programme for a BA, BSc, or BDataSci degree with:
- a. a major in Data Science and an enrolment in
    - i. MATH 102, and
    - ii. STAT101 or DATA 101;
- or
- b. a major in Financial Engineering and an enrolment in MATH 103 and STAT 101; or
  - c. a major in Mathematics and an enrolment in MATH 103; or
  - d. a major in Statistics and an enrolment in STAT 101.
- Recipients who have completed MATH 199 are exempt from enrolling in MATH 102 or MATH 103.
- 7.3 The scholarship is tenable for one year.
- 7.4 The scholarship is co-tenable with the following:
- a. Any award that is not funded by the University, unless the conditions of the other award preclude this;
  - b. Tuition fee scholarships;
  - c. Go Waitaha Canterbury Scholarship; and
  - d. UC Takere Scholarship.

Apart from the scholarships listed above, the scholarship is not co-tenable with any other award funded by the University.

- 7.5 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>4</sup> and
  - c. adhere to the University's statutes, regulations, policies, and rules.

## 8. Whakamahuki | Background information

The then Department of Mathematics and Statistics established the High Achievers Scholarship in 2012.

**Rā whakaae | Approval date:** March 2024

**Tuhinga i mua | Previous versions:** June 2012; April 2014; May 2014; March 2016; March 2017; February 2018; March 2018; March 2020; March 2022

**Award Owner:** Head of the School of Mathematics and Statistics

**Tohutoro | Reference:** 25000:5860:250STRATGY:0:1

### Pitopito kōrero | Notes

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<sup>1</sup> Participation in STAR courses, community education courses offered by tertiary institutions, orientation, or general interest programmes run by tertiary institutions for secondary school students does not preclude application for the award.

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/getting-started/scholarships>

<sup>3</sup> For the final dates on which students may receive a full refund for withdrawal from a course see <https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/getting-started/admission-and-enrolment/enrolment-topics/enrolment-and-course-dates/change-of-enrolment-dates>.

<sup>4</sup> For the University's definitions of *satisfactory academic engagement* with regard to scholarships, see <https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/getting-started/scholarships/scholarship-glossary-of-terms>.