



Otago Polytechnic International Learner Study Grants 2025

Terms and Conditions

The following terms and conditions relate to a grant offered by Otago Polytechnic. By applying to study, the International Learner (ākonga nō tāwāhi) agrees to be bound by these terms and conditions.

The International Learner (ākonga nō tāwāhi) Study Grant

1. The grant is known as the International Learner (ākonga nō tāwāhi) Study Grant (“**the grant**”).
2. The purpose of the grant is to support ākonga nō tāwāhi commencing full time study at Otago Polytechnic in 2025 intakes.
3. Otago Polytechnic shall award one grant per successful applicant, the value of which is applied based on the payment of fees for the qualification.
4. For the removal of doubt:
 - a. for multi-year programmes below postgraduate level (certificates, diplomas and degrees), the grant is applied to the fees paid for the first year of study only
 - b. where a postgraduate programme is paid for in instalments the study grant will be applied pro rata to the credits paid for in the 2025 academic year, to a maximum of 120 credits
 - c. Where ākonga nō tāwāhi qualify for a study both by programme and by citizenship, the larger of the two study grants shall be applied;
5. Where an ākonga nō tāwāhi fails a course/s and needs to repeat the course/s, no form of study grant, pro-rated or otherwise, will be applied to the additional course/s. Fees will be levied at the full tuition fee applicable for the failed course/s at the time of enrolment.
6. Where an ākonga nō tāwāhi is required to put their study on hold after completing one semester or more, the grant continues to be valid for the further study paid for, unless a refund or permanent withdrawal is actioned.



Eligibility

Applicants for the International Learner Study Grant must:

- 1 be an ākonga nō tāwāhi (as defined by section 10(1) of the Education and Training Act 2020);
- 2 be a new ākonga nō tāwāhi at Otago Polytechnic (i.e. not re-enrolling at Otago Polytechnic) applying for full time study in 2025;
- 3 be subject to the fees set by Te Pūkenga for new ākonga nō tāwāhi commencing study in 2025;
- 4 have applied, and met the entry requirements for the applicant's programme of study (as set out in the programme regulations);
- 5 be accepted into the programme on a fulltime basis (and continue to be enrolled as a fulltime ākonga nō tāwāhi throughout the 2025/26 academic years (please note, eligibility will be excluded if reducing to part-time study) and;
- 6 be enrolling in 2025, if a student defers to 2026 for any reason, the study grant is withdrawn.
- 7 provide passport/birth certificate/citizenship certificate from one of the countries listed in, or be enrolling full time into one of the programmes as specified in the 2025 Otago Polytechnic Study Grant table;
- 8 not be sponsored by the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade including New Zealand Short Term Training Scholarships;

Applicants for the Online Offshore Grant must:

- 1 met conditions 1-6 for the International Learner Study Grant above;
- 2 be completing their studies fully online, and offshore.

Applicants for the Study Abroad Grant must:

- 1 met conditions 1-6 for the International Learner Study Grant above;
- 2 be studying in as part of an approved Study Abroad agreement with an Otago Polytechnic partner institution



Ākonga nō tāwāhi are not eligible and cannot receive the grant if:

- 1 they are in recipient of another grant, scholarship, award or other concession from Te Pūkenga Business Divisions or external bodies;
- 2 Ākonga nō tāwāhi from target markets are eligible if they are receiving other funding from corporate, pacific government agencies and private entities, as long as it is not from a Te Pūkenga Business Division, or any New Zealand government funded agency or fund.
- 3 they are likely to be applying for Recognition of Prior Learning or Cross Crediting to reduce the number of credits that are needed for the given qualification;
- 4 have permanently moved to studying part-time (including commencing fulltime study and then reducing this to part-time). In such a situation the ākonga nō tāwāhi waives their right to the grant and will be liable for the payment of remaining fees for the semesters enrolled as part-time. Any withdrawal will be subject to individual Te Pūkenga business divisions' admission, enrolment, fees and refund policies and procedures.
- 5 they are studying on a pathway offer where the qualification eligible for a study grant is commenced in 2026 or later.

Application process

- 1 No application is required for the grant other than successfully enrolling as a new ākonga nō tāwāhi in 2025 in the qualifications advised as eligible for a study grant. or by providing evidence of citizenship from a country advised as eligible for a study grant.
- 2 Otago Polytechnic reserves the right to request from any applicant any additional information that it may consider necessary for determining eligibility for the grant.
- 3 Te Pūkenga business divisions have complete discretion in assessing application of the grant.
- 4 The Otago Polytechnic decision is final and binding, and no further correspondence will be entered into once a decision has been made.



Next steps after application submission

- 1 Otago Polytechnic Business Divisions will send a letter of offer to the successful applicant:
 - a. advising of the offer of place;
 - b. applying the grant to the ākongā nō tāwāhi fees;
 - c. setting out the remaining fees to be paid and future study grant application (if any); and
 - d. the grant must be taken in 2025. No deferrals will be accepted.
- 2 The grant is not transferrable or exchangeable and cannot be taken as cash.



Table 1: Te Pūkenga International Fees and Study Grants 2025

2025 Programmes with Approved Study Grants (Dunedin Only)					
School	Programmes	Credit value	Full Fees for 2025	Discount per 120 credits	Annual qualification cost with study grant applied
Design	Bachelor of Design – Communication	120	\$26,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$19,000.00
	Bachelor of Design – Product	120	\$26,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$19,000.00
	Bachelor of Design – Fashion	120	\$26,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$19,000.00
	Graduate Diploma in Design (Specialty)	120	\$26,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$19,000.00
	Master of Design Enterprise	120	\$28,600.00	\$7,000.00	\$21,600.00
	Master of Design	120	\$28,600.00	\$7,000.00	\$21,600.00
Food Design	Bachelor of Culinary Arts	120	\$26,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$19,000.00
Art	Bachelor of Visual Arts	120	\$26,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$19,000.00
	Master of Visual Arts	120	\$28,600.00	\$7,000.00	\$21,600.00
	Master of Fine Arts	120	\$28,600.00	\$7,000.00	\$21,600.00
ISEH	Bachelor in Applied Science – Sport, Exercise & Health	120	\$26,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$19,000.00
	PG Diploma in Applied Science	120	\$28,600.00	\$7,000.00	\$21,600.00
	Master in Applied Science	120	\$28,600.00	\$7,000.00	\$21,600.00
	PGDip in Applied Science (Performance Analysis)	120	\$28,600.00	\$7,000.00	\$21,600.00
Cromwell International learners need to do both to get a visa	New Zealand Certificate in Horticulture (Nursery Production) (Level 3) – 70 credits	taught as a package of 160 credits	\$33,989.00	\$7,000.00	\$24,654.00
	New Zealand Certificate in Horticulture Production (Level 4) – 90 credits				



Table 1: Te Pūkenga International Fees and Study Grants 2025 Continued

Study Grants by Approved by Target Market
<p>\$3k study grant 120 credits (pro-rata) for target markets</p> <p>All programmes excluding Nursing and Engineering</p> <p>If ākongā nō tāwāhi are studying 60 credits of NZCEL then enrolling in a degree in 2025, you will grant \$1500 reduction for the NZCEL and \$1500 off the degree fee.</p>
<p>Pacific Nations</p> <p>Micronesia (Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, Republic of Palau, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia (including Yap, Chuuk, Pohnpei, Kosrae), Republic of Nauru, Republic of Kiribati). Melanesia (Fiji, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands, Papua New Guinea, New Caledonia, Indonesia (Papua and West Papua provinces only), Timor-Leste). Polynesia (Samoa, Kingdom of Tonga, Tuvalu, American Samoa, French Polynesia, Easter Island, Pitcairn Islands, Rotuma, Wallis and Futuna).</p>
<p>South-East Asia Nations</p> <p>Brunei, Cambodia, East Timor, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam.</p>
<p>Latin America Nations</p> <p>Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, French Guiana, Guadeloupe, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Martinique, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Puerto Rico, Saint Barthelemy, Saint Martin, Uruguay, Venezuela.</p>
<p>China</p>
<p>India Science and Technology Study Grant</p> <p>NZ Science and Technology study grants. \$10K per student to be awarded to a maximum of 2 international students per Business Division for year one of 120 credits of study. Programmes limited to Science and Technology fields of study. (one for OP and one for OPAIC)</p>
<p>Study Abroad Study Grant</p> <p>Study abroad international study grants include up to a maximum of 30% deduction on standard fees for students coming from a partner institution.</p>
<p>Online Offshore Study Grant</p> <p>Online offshore study grants include a 20% deduction on standard fees</p>
<p>Commission is payable on the net fee after deducting any study grants as per the agency contract.</p>