

EDUCATION GRANTS

Closing Date: 5.00pm, 28 February 2018

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1. INTRODUCTION

Te Kotahitanga o Te Atiawa Trust (**Te Kotahitanga**) is committed to facilitating life-long opportunities for Te Atiawa uri that enables them to be well educated, trained and confident in their Te Atiawatanga.

Te Kotahitanga is offering education grants to invest in Te Atiawa uri and assist them to embrace educational opportunities.

The key principles of the Education Grants are:

- Facilitating opportunities for Te Atiawa iwi members to be well educated and to participate in life-long learning;
- Promoting and rewarding educational excellence;
- Facilitating access to quality education and training opportunities; and
- Fostering a commitment to contribute the knowledge and skills gained through education for the future benefit of Te Atiawa iwi

2. TYPE OF GRANTS

The type and maximum number of education grants that may be awarded by Te Kotahitanga in 2018:

Indicative Education Grants	No. of Grants	Value
Postgraduate Grant i.e., Post Grad Diploma, Masters, Doctorate	3	\$ 3,500
Undergraduate Grant i.e., Bachelors Degree	5	\$ 2,000
Tertiary Grant i.e., Certificate or Diploma	20	\$ 700
Secondary School Grant i.e., Year 11-13 students	40	\$ 400
TOTAL for 2018:	68	\$ 50,500

3. GENERAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible to apply for any of the grants, applicants must satisfy the following criteria:

- Be of Te Atiawa descent and a registered member of Te Kotahitanga o Te Atiawa Trust;
- Be enrolled with a Government recognised tertiary institution or secondary school in NZ;
- Submit a fully completed application including a personal statement and all required information by the closing date (incomplete or late applications will not be considered) ;
- Provide proof of enrolment for year of the grant application and a transcript or report of the applicant's grades for the previous year;
- Provide acceptable evidence of a bank account e.g., Bank deposit slip or Letter from Bank.

See Studylink for list of acceptable evidence <https://my.studylink.govt.nz/my/studylink/help/evidence-reqs.html>

The tertiary based grants are open to full and part time students who meet the specific eligibility criteria for the particular grant for which they are applying and grants are open to applicants of all ages that meet the criteria.

For Te Kotahitanga Office Use Only:

Membership Confirmed: Yes / No		Reference Number:		
Checked:	Assessed:	Interview Required:	Interview Date:	Decision:
Date:	Date:	Yes / No	Date:	Approve / Decline
CEO Approval	Funds Approved:	Letter Sent	Payment Made	Payment Confirmed
Sign:	\$	Date:	Date:	Date:

How does your field of study or research connect with Te Kotahitanga strategic goals and assist Te Kotahitanga to achieve its commercial and cultural objectives?

GUIDELINES

1. Applications for Secondary School Education grants and Tertiary Education grants open in December 2017 and close the following month **on 28 February 2018.**
2. Applicants are eligible to receive one grant in a calendar year.
3. All applications will be reviewed for completeness and satisfaction of the application criteria. Any applications that are incomplete or do not satisfy the application criteria will not be considered. Applicants will be informed that their application has been unsuccessful.
4. Tertiary grant applicants will receive 50% of the available grant if they are studying part time.
5. All applications will be presented to the Grants Committee to review and the successful applications will be approved within the available budget.
6. Applicants may be required to participate in an interview. While the preference is for the applicant to do this in person, the Grants Committee will consider ‘virtual’ interviews if requested (i.e., skype, etc).
7. Te Kotahitanga is under no obligation to grant the maximum number of grants and has the discretion to reallocate grants subject to the annual budget.
8. The Grants Committee’s decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
9. All applicants, successful or unsuccessful, will be notified of the outcome within ten (10) working days of the Grants Committee meeting.
10. All postgraduate grant recipients are required to attend and make a brief speech at the Annual General meeting or a Hui-a Iwi.
11. The annual grants will be advertised on the Te Kotahitanga website, and in Te Kotahitanga communications.
12. Recipients of the postgraduate, undergraduate and tertiary grants must sign a Grant Agreement form accepting the conditions of the grant.

DECLARATION

I confirm that the information provided in this application is true and accurate. I agree and understand that:

- I will be available for an interview if required.
- My name may be used to promote the grant through Te Atiawa communications.
- I will only use the funds to advance my educational studies.
- If my application is incomplete that it will not be considered and will be declined.
- I am authorised to sign this application.
- I consent to sharing my email address with other Te Kotahitanga grant recipients and other Te Atiawa applicants that are studying at the same institution.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

CHECKLIST

Requirements	Tick
Confirmed membership of Te Kotahitanga	
Verified bank deposit slip attached	
Enrolment confirmation attached	
Verified results or transcript attached	
Declaration signed	

CLOSING DATE

Fully completed applications must be received in the office by **5.00pm 28 February 2018**. Any late applications received in the office after this will not be accepted.

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If you require help from Te Kotahitanga o Te Atiawa to complete the application you can ring the office on 06 758 4685.

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