

Massey University Foundation Peer Scholar Award

Award Regulations

Focus

Current holders of Massey University undergraduate or postgraduate scholarships

Level of Study

Undergraduate and Postgraduate

Purpose

To support scholarship recipients that have demonstrated evidence, or proven potential, for excellence and leadership in both academic and non-academic pursuits to reach their scholarly aspirations and help others achieve theirs.

Value and Tenure

Peer Scholars will receive:

- An award up to the value of \$6,000 with a tenure of one year
- A suite of personal development opportunities, in particular:
 - Peer Scholar bootcamp with leadership training to prepare Peer Scholars for their role
 - Tailored academic coaching with a senior academic staff member
 - Leadership training
 - Strengths training
 - Peer support
 - Presentations from guest speakers
 - Networking events
- Awardees will be provided with Massey University merchandise to support them in their role as ambassadors of the Scholars@Massey community

Typical Number on Offer

Up to 10 per annum

Eligibility

All applicants must:

- be based on the Manawatu campus
- have completed an equivalent of one full year's study at Massey University
- be planning to enrol at Massey University for the year of the award:
 - in both semester one and two
 - either full-time or part-time (minimum of 45 credits)
- be current or recent holders of one of the following scholarships during their current programme of study:
 - Massey University Vice Chancellor High Achiever with Distinction scholarship
 - Massey University Vice Chancellor Excellence scholarship
 - Massey University Undergraduate Scholarship
 - Massey University Masterate or the Massey University Masterate for Māori scholarships
 - Massey Scholars
 - Massey Doctoral Scholarship or Massey Vice Chancellor Doctoral Scholarship

Selection Criteria

Applications are assessed based on evidence of or potential for excellence and contribution to academic and non-academic pursuits (leadership, community engagement and volunteering, and contribution in areas of interest such as sports, arts etc.). Applicants with a genuine interest in their own personal and professional development and with clear scholarly aspirations as demonstrated in the personal statement will be favoured.

Applicants may be invited for an interview as part of the selection procedure.

Selection Panel

The selection panel will include members of the University Scholarship Committee or their nominees.

Conditions of the Award

Awardees are expected to be active members of the Scholars@Massey community. Awardees are required to participate in the Peer Scholar bootcamp and other personal and professional development offerings. They are also required to, on average, spend three hours per week towards contributing to the wider Scholars@Massey community through providing peer support and facilitating community events. The continuation of the award will be dependent on students' commitment to the Scholars@Massey programme and continued enrolment at Massey University.