



Hawkes Bay Forestry Group Forestry Scholarship

Congratulations on considering a career in forestry. Hawkes Bay needs skilled and capable people to manage commercial forests to ensure their profitability and ongoing contribution to the regional economy and our environment. Viable tree plantations are now widely accepted as an essential complement to climate change mitigation, soil conservation, and for enhancing habitat for native species.

A qualification in forestry will prepare you for a career in this exciting space. You will work alongside great people in amazing places and all the while will be making a real difference to New Zealand's economic and environmental wellbeing.

About the Hawkes Bay Forestry Group (HBFG)

HBFG was established in 2015 to enhance the role of commercial forestry and wood processing in Hawkes Bay. Membership comprises the ten largest commercial forest owners in the region and the Hawkes Bay Regional Council which is also a significant forest owner. HBFG is keen to encourage people to want to work in forestry. It is also a collective voice for promoting best practice and for responding to issues, challenges and opportunities affecting the industry.

Objectives of this Scholarship

To support Hawkes Bay residents studying a tertiary qualification in forestry.

Eligibility

To be eligible for consideration for this scholarship applicants must be:

- New Zealand citizens or permanent residents
- Usually domiciled in the Hawkes Bay Region
- Enrolled in one of the following tertiary level forestry qualifications
 - New Zealand Diploma in Forest Management, Toi Ohomai Insitutue of Technology
 - Bachelor of Forestry Science, University of Canterbury
 - Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Forest Engineering, University of Canterbury
 - Postgraduate Diploma in Forestry, University of Canterbury
 - Master of Forestry Science, University of Canterbury
 - Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in a forestry-specific topic

Criteria

The scholarship will be awarded to the candidate, who in the opinion of the selection panel, best demonstrates the following attributes:

- Commitment to a career in forestry
- Academic achievement
- Extracurricular / community achievement
- Leadership potential

In addition to the information provided in the scholarship application, the panel's assessment will be based on academic history, references, and an interview with short-listed applicants. More weighting will be given to references from previous employers.

Application Process

Application forms are available on the HBFNG website. Completed forms should be addressed to 'The Chief Executive' at kdolman@novapsi.net.nz and must be received no later than **10 September 2022**.

Short-listed candidates will be required to attend an interview with the selection panel in mid October 2022.

In the event that two or more applications are graded equally, the total scholarship funding will be split equally between those applicants.

Candidates will be notified of the outcome of the scholarship on 1 November 2022.

The successful applicant(s) will be invited to receive a certificate of acknowledgement at the 2022 Hawkes Bay Forestry Awards on 2 December 2022.

Payment

The total value of the scholarship is \$5,000. The first payment of \$2,500 will be made in early March 2022 when the recipient provides evidence of enrolment in an accepted course of study. The second payment of \$2,500 will be made when the recipient provides evidence of successfully completing the supported year of study.

- List or attach to this application a record of your work history

Criteria 2: Academic achievement

- Attach a copy of your NZQA record of learning and any other academic records and awards and submit them with this completed form

Criteria 3: Extracurricular and community activities

- List any extracurricular or community interests and activities you have been involved in below

Criteria 4: Leadership potential

- Describe any situations in your work, school or personal life where you have acted in a leadership role

Referees

Provide the names and contact details of two referees below. At least one referee must know you as an employer or supervisor in a work capacity and be able to comment on your performance in a work environment.

Referee 1:

Name: _____

Contact details: _____

Referee 2:

Name: _____

Contact details: _____
