

2021 Programme

The 2021 TeachNZ Scholarship programme will open to applications on **24th August 2020**. This initial application round will close on **23rd September 2020**. The programme will reopen for two further application rounds from 25th November 2020 - 9th December 2020 and 22nd March 2021 - 21st April 2021.

The Māori Medium, Te Reo Māori and Immersion scholarships are available to any student planning to enrol, or already enrolled on an approved immersion or te reo Māori Initial Teacher Education course. The 2021 approved teaching qualifications have been determined by the Teaching Council. They may be updated throughout the duration of the year. Please contact us if you believe they are incorrect. A full list of the approved courses on the ['2021 Scholarship Programme Guide'](#).

The scholarships are open to graduates and undergraduates. There are school leaver and more substantial 'career changer' options available. **The scholarships are available to students in any year of their study.**

Applicants can apply for both of scholarships, but only accept one. Applicants who are unsuccessful in their application for a Te Waka Whakareii Career Changer scholarship may be offered a Te Tipu Whakarito scholarship instead.

Your students can also apply for the 'general' and 'Kupe' scholarships available. These scholarships are weighted towards te reo Māori speakers and Māori applicants.

The table below outlines all of the scholarships available this year.

Class	Scholarship	Fees	Allowance	Quantity
General Scholarships	Te Huawhiti Career Changer Scholarship: all sectors, all subjects	Paid	\$30,000 per year	85
	Te Huarau Scholarship: all sectors, all subjects	Paid	\$10,000 over duration of study	130
Māori Medium, Te Reo Māori and Immersion Scholarships	Te Waka Whakareii Career Changer Scholarship: Māori Medium & Te Reo Māori, all sectors	Paid	\$30,000 per year	90
	Te Tipu Whakarito Scholarship: Māori Medium & Te Reo Māori, all sectors	Paid	\$10,000 over duration of study	130
Kupe Scholarship	Kupe Scholarship: Māori and Pacific High Achievers – all sectors all subjects	Paid	\$15,000 over duration of study	30
Total				465

As in the previous years, an independent assessment panel will review the applications that we receive.

To apply for a scholarship, students must complete an online application form, which will be made available on the [TeachNZ website](#). Te Waka Whakareii Career Changer and Te Tipu Whakarito applicants must complete their personal statement and video components in te reo Māori.

Changes to the programme

Taking into account feedback from the 2020 programme a number of small changes have been made to the programme.

- The dates of the second application round have been brought forward to ensure students are notified of the outcome of their application prior to a number of courses starting in March
- The third round has also been brought forward so mid-year starters receive their outcome in early-June
- Due to the demand of some of the scholarships, there is an expectation that the third application round will only be open to applicants with mid-year enrolments starting their first year of study
- There is only one, online application form
- A number of new pages will be published on the TeachNZ website which take an applicant through how to apply and accept a scholarship, including a step-by-step breakdown of how to complete the application form
- This information will also be made available in the ['2021 Scholarship Programme Guide'](#)

Next steps

1. Please share this information with your students
2. Please contact us if you would like us to send you both digital and printed marketing materials
3. Please let us know if you would like the TeachNZ team to attend any events your establishment is hosting or visit your establishment to talk to your students about the scholarships and the application process
4. We are running a 'Zoom Hui' from 10 – 11am on Thursday the 20th August. We intend to cover the changes to the programme, the application process and field any questions you may have about it. If you would like to attend please let us know and we can send you a Zoom invitation.

If you have any questions contact us by calling **0800 165 225** or emailing teachnz.admin@education.govt.nz