University of Canterbury Southeast Asia High Achievers Scholarship



Waeture | Regulations

Whakamāramatanga | Key Information

Rā whakamutunga Closing date	15 November (S1 2025) and 16 May (S2 2025)
Whaipainga Value	Undergraduate:
	 Contribution to tuition fees of \$5,000 paid in the first year of study.
	Postgraduate:
	 Contribution to tuition fees of \$10,000 paid in the first year of study.¹
Wā roanga Tenure	One year
Rahinga ia tau Number available annually	Varies
Herenga tika Applicable enrolment during tenure	Full-time study in an undergraduate or postgraduate degree programme at the University.
Herenga motuhake Special requirements	 Applicants must be: New full-fee paying international students Must be a citizen of Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam

1. Aronga | Purpose

This scholarship recognises and supports international students with strong academic abilities from Southeast Asia who are beginning their educational journey in New Zealand at Te Whare Wānanga o Waitaha | University of Canterbury.

2. Paearu māraurau | Eligibility criteria

- 2.1 Applicants must be new full-fee paying international students intending to enrol in either an undergraduate or a postgraduate¹ programme at the University.
- 2.2 Applicants must be citizens of Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand or Vietnam.
- 2.3 Applicants must have a current and valid conditional or unconditional offer to study an eligible programme.
- 2.4 Applicants cannot be previous University of Canterbury students. This includes those who are applying for a high-level programme (e.g. bachelor's degree graduate applying for a master's programme).

¹ Doctoral programmes are excluded

3. Tukanga tononga | Application process

Applications must be made online at the Scholarships website¹ by 15 November for Semester 1 2025 and 16 May for Semester 2 2025.

4. Tukanga kōwhiringa | Selection process

- 4.1 The scholarship is awarded by Te Kaunihera | University Council on the recommendation of a selection committee comprising:
 - a. the Director of Recruitment (or nominee);
 - b. the International Recruitment and Conversion Manager (or nominee) and
 - c. the International Market Manager (Southeast Asia) (or nominee).

5. Paearu kōwhiringa | Selection criteria

- 5.1 In making the recommendations, the selection committee gives consideration to:
 - a. student's academic achievement;
 - b. strategic objectives of the University.
- 5.2 The selection committee may consider distribution amongst students in such a way that diversity of recipients with regard to their UC faculties, schools, departments, and programmes is supported.
- 5.3 If, in any year, there are fewer candidates of sufficient merit than scholarships available, fewer scholarships are offered.

6. Mahere utu | Value and payment schedule

- 6.1 The scholarship provides tuition fee assistance at a value of \$5,000 for undergraduate programmes and \$10,000 for postgraduate programmes.
- 6.2 The scholarship is paid directly to a recipient's University fees account.

7. Paearu here | Tenability and retention criteria

- 7.1 The scholarship must be taken up in the semester for which it is awarded.
- 7.2 The scholarship is tenable in the first year of full-time study in a programme for an undergraduate or postgraduate degree.
- 7.3 The scholarship is tenable for one year.
- 7.4 By accepting the award, recipients indicate that they are willing to agree to appropriate publicity requests from the University of Canterbury to represent the university and the scholarship.
- 7.5 Upon being offered, recipients have 14 days to accept their scholarship offer of place.
- 7.6 Recipients with a valid conditional offer of place must make a reasonable effort to meet the English Language condition (if any) of their conditional offer within one month of accepting the scholarship.
- 7.7 This scholarship cannot be held concurrently with the UC International First Year Scholarship.
- 7.8 This scholarship cannot be held by students who studies are being fully sponsored by either a home government or the New Zealand Government
- 7.9 The scholarship may be withdrawn, and any paid funds may be recovered if, during tenure, the recipient does not:
 - a. maintain an enrolment that meets the conditions specified in clause 7.2;
 - b. maintain satisfactory academic engagement; and
 - c. adhere to the University's statutes, regulations, policies, and rules².

8. Whakamahuki | Background information

The University established the scholarship in 2024.

Rā whakaae | Approval date: August 2024 **Tuhinga i mua | Previous versions:** N/A **Award Owner:** Director of Recruitment **Tohutoro | Reference:** 50579:5865:TBC.0.1

Pitopito korero | Notes

¹ https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/getting-started/scholarships

² For the University's definitions of satisfactory academic engagement with regard to scholarships, see https://www.canterbury.ac.nz/study/getting-started/scholarships/glossary-of-terms.