



# 2025 Rūnaka Scholarship Application

**Closing date: 4pm, 21 March 2025**

The Rūnaka Scholarship will cover tuition fees for up to three years for a learner's chosen programme of study at Te Pūkenga | Otago Polytechnic. The purpose of this Scholarship is to encourage Kāi Tahu learners to succeed in tertiary education by removing financial barriers to study. The scholarship also acknowledges the contribution learners can make to their Rūnaka and local community.

**Please read and complete each section of this form.**

This scholarship is offered to a learner, studying in a chosen programme at Te Pūkenga | Otago Polytechnic, one from each of the four local Papatipu Rūnaka:

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| 1. Te Rūnanga o Ōtākou               | <a href="mailto:office@tro.org.nz">office@tro.org.nz</a>                             |
| 2. Kāti Huirapa Rūnaka ki Puketeraki | <a href="mailto:admin@puketeraki.nz">admin@puketeraki.nz</a>                         |
| 3. Te Rūnanga o Moeraki              | <a href="mailto:moeraki.runanga@ngaitahu.iwi.nz">moeraki.runanga@ngaitahu.iwi.nz</a> |
| 4. Hokonui Rūnanga                   | <a href="mailto:hokonui.office@ngaitahu.iwi.nz">hokonui.office@ngaitahu.iwi.nz</a>   |

**Conditions of Application:**

**Rūnaka:**

- Candidates must **already** be registered with one of these four Papatipu Rūnaka. Please visit the Rūnaka websites for an appropriate form to do this (if not already registered), or contact Te Punaka Ōwheo, Te Pūkenga | Otago Polytechnic's Māori centre at [tepunakaowheo@op.ac.nz](mailto:tepunakaowheo@op.ac.nz).
- The Rūnaka Scholarship will cover tuition fees for the candidate's chosen programme of study.
- If a Rūnaka does not select a recipient, the scholarship lapses for that year and is forfeited.

**Te Pūkenga | Otago Polytechnic:**

- Candidates must meet the academic entry criteria for their chosen programme of study. (NB: If places on a course or programme are limited, normal selection criteria will apply).
- This Scholarship applies to Domestic learners only.
- To retain this scholarship, successful applicants are required to pass their academic studies with a minimum of 50% in their first and subsequent years of study.
- The study must be continuous.
- Applicants must be enrolled in a full-time, full-year programme.
- All successful recipients will be paired with a Tuakana (Māori Mentor) to guide them through their first year of studies. Further details will be given to successful candidates.



## **Application Process:**

1. Please submit your completed application to **both**
  - the **Rūnaka** that you affiliate and
  - **Te Pūnaka Ōwheo**, Te Pūkenga | Otago Polytechnic's Māori Centre
2. Each Rūnaka will meet after the closing date and then notify Te Pūkenga | Otago Polytechnic who the successful recipient is.
3. A letter will be sent to candidates informing them of the outcome **by the 31<sup>st</sup> of May 2025**.

## **Rūnaka Postal Address:**

### **Te Rūnanga o Ōtākou**

45 Tamatea Road  
Ōtākou  
Dunedin  
Phone: (03) 478 0352  
Email: [office@tro.org.nz](mailto:office@tro.org.nz)

### **Kāti Huirapa Rūnaka ki Puketeraki**

121 Grimness St  
C/- Karitāne PDC 9440, Otago  
Karitāne 9440  
Phone: (03) 465 7300  
Email: [admin@puketeraki.nz](mailto:admin@puketeraki.nz)

### **Te Rūnanga o Moeraki**

Te Rūnanga o Moeraki  
Tenby St Moeraki,  
RD2, Palmerston,  
Otago  
Phone: (03) 439 4816  
Email: [moeraki.runanga@ngaitahu.iwi.nz](mailto:moeraki.runanga@ngaitahu.iwi.nz)

### **Hokonui Rūnanga**

Charlton Rd  
Postal Address: PO Box 114, Gore  
Phone: (03) 208 7954  
Email: [hokonui.office@ngaitahu.iwi.nz](mailto:hokonui.office@ngaitahu.iwi.nz)

## **Te Punaka Ōwheo Postal Address:**

You can email your application to [tepunakaowheo@op.ac.nz](mailto:tepunakaowheo@op.ac.nz) or send it to:

Te Punaka Ōwheo  
Scholarships (Rūnaka)  
Te Pūkenga | Otago Polytechnic  
Private Bag 1910  
Dunedin  
9045

You can also hand deliver your application to Te Punaka Ōwheo or to Customer Services.

If you require more information, please contact Te Punaka Ōwheo:

**Freephone:** 0800 762 786

**Email:** [tepunakaowheo@op.ac.nz](mailto:tepunakaowheo@op.ac.nz)





## **SECTION A: PERSONAL DETAILS**

(Please ensure that you complete all details in this section)

SURNAME: \_\_\_\_\_

FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MIDDLE NAME(s): \_\_\_\_\_

GENDER (please tick)  Male  Female  Other      DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

PERMANENT ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TOWN/CITY: \_\_\_\_\_      POSTCODE: \_\_\_\_\_

TERM ADDRESS (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

TOWN/CITY: \_\_\_\_\_      POSTCODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Do you give permission for Te Pūkenga | Otago Polytechnic to publicise, if you are successful? Yes  No





## **PART B: RŪNAKA REGISTRATION**

### **1. Which of the four local Papatipu Rūnaka do you affiliate to?**

- Te Rūnanga o Ōtākou
- Kāti Huirapa ki Puketeraki
- Te Rūnanga o Moeraki
- Hokonui Rūnanga

### **2. Are you registered with this Rūnaka? Yes No**

If no, please register before applying. You can do this via the Rūnaka websites or email

- 1. Te Rūnanga o Ōtākou                      Email: [office@tro.org.nz](mailto:office@tro.org.nz)
- 2. Kāti Huirapa ki Puketeraki              Email: [admin@puketeraki.nz](mailto:admin@puketeraki.nz) or [www.puketeraki.nz](http://www.puketeraki.nz)
- 3. Te Rūnanga o Moeraki                    Email: [moeraki.runanga@ngaitahu.iwi.nz](mailto:moeraki.runanga@ngaitahu.iwi.nz)
- 4. Hokonui Rūnanga                         Email: [hokonui.office@ngaitahu.iwi.nz](mailto:hokonui.office@ngaitahu.iwi.nz)







**SECTION D: ENDORSEMENT / WRITTEN REFERENCE**

This must be completed by a Kaumātua, Māori Liaison Officer, Tutor/Teacher **who is Māori**, Leader of a Māori Community Group (e.g.: marae, church or sports team) or Iwi representative of a Māori Authority, Rūnaka or Trust Board.

The endorser must know you and **cannot** be your sibling, spouse, parent or grandparent.

I endorse this application because: \_\_\_\_\_

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ENDORSER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ENDORSER'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

ENDORSER'S TITLE (one of the above): \_\_\_\_\_

ENDORSER'S CONTACT PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_





## **SECTION E: APPLICANT DECLARATION**

**1. I agree to the conditions of application, and I attach:**

My enrolment form for my proposed programme of study at Te Pūkenga | Otago Polytechnic

**OR**

Verification of my enrolment to Te Pūkenga | Otago Polytechnic

**2. SIGNATURE (of applicant):** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **SECTION F: APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

- Section A is complete
- Section B is complete and has been certified
- Section C is complete and applicant letter is attached
- Section D is complete
- Section E is complete, and proof of enrolment is attached
- Copy of application sent to Te Punaka Ōwheo
- Copy of application sent to Rūnaka

### **FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:**

Date application received:

Name of programme applied for:

Has applicant been accepted into the programme applied for? Y / N

Was a scholarship awarded? Y / N

Has an acknowledgement letter been sent out? Y / N

Date sent:

