

The Hinepare Scholarship

Funding Guidelines

The Hinepare Scholarship award acknowledges and recognises the life of Hinepare Patricia Hollingsworth, a cherished kuia to the wider Mana Enhancing STOP whānau in Rotorua. Her compassion, strength, and dedication to uplifting others through recovery have left a lasting legacy. Hinepare's encouragement of people in their darkest moments continues to inspire the kaupapa of Mana Enhancing STOP Trust today.

This scholarship was established to honour her memory and to continue her mahi by supporting Māori with lived experience with Alcohol and other Drugs (AOD) challenges who are pursuing further education.



Purpose

The purpose of the Hinepare Scholarship is to:

- Uplift Māori with lived experience with AOD to achieve their educational and personal aspirations.
- Encourage study pathways that contribute to recovery, wellbeing, and the strengthening of whānau and communities.
- Support the development of a skilled, compassionate Māori workforce grounded in kaupapa Māori approaches to healing and recovery.

Alignment with Mana Enhancing STOP Vision

This scholarship aligns with Mana Enhancing STOP Trust's vision:

"To create a thriving, drug-free community where individuals and whānau are empowered to reclaim their lives through kaupapa Māori-based recovery support."

By supporting Māori learners who are walking their own recovery journeys, the scholarship nurtures future leaders who will help build thriving, drug-free communities. It recognises that lived experience, when supported and valued, can become a powerful force for change.

Eligibility

Applicants must be:

- A New Zealand citizen or permanent resident;
- Able to affirm any ancestry verification requirements;
- Enrolled at an Aotearoa-based tertiary institution for the year of the award



Application Process

Every applicant must submit:

- A curriculum vitae
- A copy of their academic transcript
- A letter of reference
- Reason for applying for this Scholarship

Selection Criteria

Applications will be assessed on:

- How their journey and aspirations reflect the values of Hinepare and Mana Enhancing STOP.
- Relevance of their chosen study in AOD, recovery, or community wellbeing.
- How they plan to give back to their whānau or community.
- How this support will help them achieve success in their studies.

Financial

- The scholarship is valued at up to \$5,000.
- The award payment will be made in two instalments.
- For part-time enrolment, the scholarship will be pro-rated.
- The value of the scholarship may be reviewed from time to time.

Tenure

- The Scholarship can be held with full-time or part-time tenure.
- The Scholarship must normally be taken up within one year of being awarded.

Other Requirements

- Award of the scholarship is dependent on being admitted to your proposed programme of study.
- Te Rau Ora reserves the right to use the names, photographs, and details of successful applicants for advertising and publicity.
- The award holders must agree to be reasonably available to participate in interviews and promotional activities if requested.
- You will be asked to declare any other scholarships that you have received.