

3. STUDENT SUCCESS GRANT

The aim of this Scheme is to enable Cook Islanders and PR's residing in the Cook Islands without any form of sponsorship to undertake post secondary education and training while living in the Cook Islands. There are two forms of assistance available under this scheme

OPTION 1 – Partial reimbursement of tuition fees and prescribed text book fees

Criteria 1

Applicants who are unemployed or whose annual income is below \$15,000 may apply for the 75% reimbursement

Criteria 2

Applicants whose annual income is in the range of \$15,000 and over may apply for the 50% reimbursement

OPTION 2 – Request for funding due to justifiable financial hardship

If an applicant is unable to meet the full upfront payment of tuition fees and prescribed textbooks for a current course due to justifiable financial hardship, and wishes to apply under this option then the applicant must:

1. Write a letter to the HRM Advisor explaining why you need assistance under this option
2. Provide most recent proof of income
3. Pay 25% of the course fee upfront at the time of enrolling
4. Provide an invoice from the training provider for outstanding amount to be paid and if you have paid more than 25%, only the outstanding amount will be paid by MoE

Advertisements for Scholarships appear in the local media and Ministry of Education website in October/November each year

If you are concerned that you might not be eligible, give us a call and tell us about your circumstances so we can see how we might be able to help you.



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COOK ISLANDS GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP SCHEMES (TE REINGA AKATAUNGA 'ANGA)



DOMESTIC OPTIONS

OVERVIEW

"Te Reinga Akataunga'anga" offers a range of scholarship and study support available to Cook Islanders and permanent residents wishing to pursue further study at tertiary level either in-country (domestic) or internationally. This brochure provides information on domestic options.

DOMESTIC OPTIONS

- FULL SCHOLARSHIP
- STUDY GRANT
- STUDENT SUCCESS GRANT

1. FULL SCHOLARSHIP

This type of scholarship is intended for school leavers and students who are already studying part time and want to fast track their degree by studying full time.

What does it cover?

- Payment of tuition and textbook fees
- Payment of living allowance per week during semester

Who can apply?

All Cook Islands Residents including PRs and dependents

- School leavers who have completed at least the last 3 years of schooling in the Cook Islands
- A mature student who has lived 3 years in the Cook Islands

Criteria

- School leavers must achieve University Entrance
- Academic ability in relation to the course selected (academic or vocational)
- Proven experience or knowledge in the area of study
- Commitment to full-time study
- Should not be in full-time employment or engages in no more than 12 hours per week of employment
- Students must complete at least 3 papers per semester

Liability

- Students must maintain a high level of academic performance throughout the period of study
- Failure to successfully complete at least 6 courses in one year will require a 1 year stand down period
- Failure to successfully complete while under contract, will result in the student paying to the Government the amount paid to them while on study

2. STUDY GRANT

This is suitable for people in the workforce who have a good study record and can make a reasonable time commitment to further study

What does it cover?

- Payment of tuition fee
- Additional contribution per semester towards course related costs on receipt of invoice (text book)
- Assistance may be considered where it is compulsory for the applicant to travel within the Cook Islands to attend a compulsory session
- Students are responsible to pay the student association fee

Who can apply?

All Cook Islands Residents including PRs and dependents

Criteria

- Students must complete at least 4 papers per year
- Proven experience or knowledge in area of study and strong linkages to current or future workplace/career intention
- Strong linkage to labour market need
- Linkage to NSDP (academic or vocational)

Liability

- Students must maintain a high level of academic performance throughout the period of study
- Failure to successfully complete at least 75% of courses in one year will require a 1 year stand down period