

3. COOK ISLANDS INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUCCESS GRANT

What does it cover?

50% Reimbursement of tuition fees

Criteria

- Programmes of study in New Zealand, Australia or Pacific Region
- Reimbursement of up to 50% tuition fees on successful completion of semester (based on results)
- Students who are not on a current MoE scholarship or have not been on a scholarship sponsored by MoE or a scholarship by the University where you are studying.

Who can apply?

- All Cook Islanders including PRs and dependents who hold a current New Zealand passport who have lived in the Cook Islands for at least 5 years prior to application
- Students who completed secondary school in New Zealand 2 years prior to commencing University and demonstrates relationships with parents living in the Cook Islands.

Liability

None

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

4. RETURNING COOK ISLANDER GRANT

What does it cover?

Part reimbursement of tuition part of student loan

Criteria

Returns and engages in fulltime employment and demonstrate an enduring relationship with the Cook Islands.

Who can apply?

- Cook Islanders who have completed a New Zealand tertiary qualification and returns home to work for at least a year before applying.
- Students who have studied privately and have not received any assistance from the Cook Islands Government
- Students who are actively contributing to repaying their student loans.

What do I do now to prepare myself?

Try and meet the course eligibility criteria...Start Studying!!!!

What if I am currently studying (at TERTIARY level) overseas and need assistance with my course fees to help me meet the scholarship academic criteria?

Apply for the Student Success Grant. Contact our office for further information

Need more information? CONTACT US

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



INTERNATIONAL 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 international options.

INTERNATIONAL OPTIONS

- STUDY STARTER PACK
- FULL SCHOLARSHIP FROM SECOND YEAR OF STUDY
- INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUCCESS GRANT
- RETURNING COOK ISLANDER GRANT

1. STUDY STARTER PACK

This is a one off grant to students wishing to travel overseas to study. It is available to first year students only and includes mature students.

What does it cover?

Return Economy airfare from Rarotonga to place of study
Establishment Grant of \$3,000.00

Criteria

The starter packs are intended to give opportunity for Cook Islanders to study across a wide range of programme areas and levels.

- Available to resident Cook Islanders and Permanent Residents who hold a current New Zealand passport
- Recipients must travel on a valid NZ passport
- School leavers must achieve the University Entrance with a rank score of 200 and above.

Who can apply?

All Cook Islanders including PRs or dependents thereof who hold a current New Zealand passport

- School leavers who have completed at least the last 2 years of schooling in the Cook Islands
- A mature student who has lived 5 of the last 10 years in the Cook Islands including at least the last two years consecutively.

Liability

Once the student has received a starter pack, the remaining costs for their first year of study can be applied for through the studylink system. Scholarship becomes available at different levels from second year onwards based on achievement in the first year.

2. FULL SCHOLARSHIP (from second year of study)

What does it cover?

- Return Economy airfare from Rarotonga to place of study annually
- Student living allowance paid fortnightly
- On return the entire tuition loan is paid off pro-rata by scholarship
- Students continue to study with student loan through Studylink

Criteria

- Available to resident Cook Islanders and Permanent Residents who hold a current New Zealand passport
- Academic achievement in the first year of study, must meet the B+ average to be considered
- Links to labour market and NSDP
- Gender and geography

Liability

Failure to successfully complete programme or failure to return, the student loan will remain a liability to the student and they will pay the Government the amount paid to them while on study.

