

Ministry of Education Maraurau o te Pae Api'i



2025 TE REINGA AKATAUNGA'ANGA | COOK ISLANDS TERTIARY STUDY SUPPORT PROGRAMME

RETURNING COOK ISLANDER GRANT

The Tertiary Education Committee, through the Cook Islands Ministry of Education, is now accepting applications under the Returning Cook Islander Grant

This is a reimbursement opportunity of the tuition component of eligible candidate's New Zealand student loan. The Returning Cook Islander Grant is open to Cook Islanders or Permanent Residents holding a New Zealand passport who successfully completed a tertiary qualification in 2022 and 2023 privately in New Zealand, and have returned to the Cook Islands and engaged in fulltime employment. To be eligible for the Returning Cook Islander Grant, applicants:

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- Must be a Cook Islander or hold Permanent Residency with a New Zealand passport.
- Have recently completed a qualification in New Zealand (in 2022 and 2023) and has been resident and employed in the Cook Islands for at least one year prior to applying.
- Must be actively contributing towards their student loan prior to applying.

Students who have successfully completed their studies in 2024 will not be eligible to apply this year.

Application forms and further information is available from the Ministry of Education headquarters in Nikao, Rarotonga, or online at **www.education.gov.ck**. For further details please contact our Scholarships Advisor on 29357 or email **scholarships@education.gov.ck**.

Completed applications must be received no later than **12 noon Friday 9th May 2025.**



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