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# Te Reinga Akataunga’anga – Cook Islands Tertiary Study Support

**Returning Cook Islander Grant**

**2025**

**MOE USE ONLY:**

Date/time received: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Staff Initials: **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

## A1 SCHOLARSHIPS INFORMATION

* **COMPLETED APPLICATION FORMS MUST reach the Ministry of Education (MOE) by 12noon, Friday 09 May 2025**
* **You may submit your application by email to** **scholarships@education.gov.ck****, by hand to the Ministry of Education Office in Nikao, or by post to the address: Scholarships Application, P.O. Box 97, Rarotonga, Cook Islands.**
* **Applicants will be notified on the outcome of their application by April**
* **All information supplied will be kept CONFIDENTIAL and will be used for MOE purposes only.**

## A2 INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING IN THIS APPLICATION FORM

* **Please answer all questions concisely. Do not put down abbreviations. Provide full names for acronyms used in any of the documents attached.**
* If you need more space, attach additional pages, making sure to indicate the number of the question you are answering.

**A3 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**

For MOE to consider your application, it is compulsory for you to meet **ALL** of the following criteria.

* Cook Islands Residents including Permanent Residents (PR), who hold a New Zealand passport
* Applicants must be residing in the Cook Islands for at least 12 months with employment in their chosen field of study
* Completed a qualification in New Zealand privately in 2022 and 2023.
* Applicants who are unable to secure an employment in their chosen field of study will need to provide evidence in their attempts
* Applicants who have successfully completed their study and have achieved a B GPA will be considered
* Applicants must not have received prior tertiary education support from the Cook Islands Government, with the exception of the Student Success Grant
* Applicants must be actively contributing to their student loan repayments.

**Please tick boxes to confirm that you have attached a COPY of the following documents:**

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| ❑ **Copy of your Passport Detail page** |
| ❑ **Current Curriculum Vitae**  |
| ❑ **Certified copy of Official Certificate received**❑ **Letter from your employer:** confirm date of employment |
| **❑ Updated student loan statement** |

**Section 1. PERSONAL DETAILS**

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| *(Please note that the name entered in this section should be your full names as it appears on your birth certificate or passport. Attach a copy of the relevant document)* |
| First Name  |  | Also known as |  |
| Middle Name  |  | Maiden Name |  |
| Last Name  |  |  |  |

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| **1.1 Date of Birth:**  |  |  | / |  |  | / |  |  |  |  |

**1.2 Gender:** ⭘ Male ⭘ Female

**1.3 Marital Status:** ⭘ Single ⭘ Married ⭘ In a defacto relationship ⭘Other

**1.4 Ethnicity:** (tick one circle)

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| ⭘ Cook Islands Maori  **(Go to 1.7)** |
| ⭘ Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **(Go to 1.5)** |

* 1. **Residential status:**

 ⭘ Permanent Resident ⭘ Married to a Cook Islander ⭘ Dependant (under 18) of PR

**1.6 Country of Citizenship** (as stated in your passport): \_

**1.7 Postal Address and Contact Details within the Cook Islands:**

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| PO Box: |  |  |  |  |
| Village: |  |  |  |  |
| Island of Usual Residence: |  |  |  |
| Home Phone: |  | Mobile: |  |  |
| Work Phone: |  | Fax Phone: |  |  |
| Email: |  |
|  | ***(Please ensure that the email address provided is one that you check regularly as this will be the main channel of communication from MOE)*** |

**Section 2. HISTORY WITH COOK ISLANDS GOVERNMENT GRANTS**

Have you received any assistance from either the Ministry of Education or Cook Islands Government while you were studying overseas?

 Yes ⃝

 No ⃝

If yes, please state the type of assistance received and year

**Section 3. EMPLOYMENT**

 **Provide your current employment**

 Position**: ­­­­­­­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

 Organisation**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

 Dates of Employment**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Section 9. DECLARATION BY APPLICANT**

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| I confirm that the information in this form is true and accurate.I understand that the Government of the Cook Islands reserves the right to confirm the accuracy of the information in my application with authorities, and the incorrect statements may result in my being declared ineligible for an award.I declare that if awarded a scholarship, I will abide by the provisions of the Cook Islands Government Tertiary Education and Training Awards Policies and will be required to enter a bonding contract with the Cook Islands Government.  |
| Date: | Signature: |