

Welcome

Welcome to Open Polytechnic. If you are looking to enhance your career or personal development, Open Polytechnic can help you realise your goal. Open Polytechnic specialises in open learning which means you have a greater freedom to decide where, when and how you study.

The purpose

The purpose of this scholarship is to encourage students who have a disability to achieve their full potential in their area of study. Successful applicants will be provided with the opportunity to study in their own home, supported by freephone access to lecturer(s), library and other services.

Who can apply

The scholarship is available to students who have a disability that impacts on their ability to study, and who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand. The scholarship will be an award of up to \$5,000 available to one or more students (over a period of up to two years) to cover course costs and funds for textbooks.

Application form

Verified evidence of New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency status must be attached to your application form if you have not sent this to us previously.

Evidence of your disability, for example a health professional report, is also required if not sent to us previously.

You are asked to provide the names of two referees to support your application. These people must be able to comment on your personal qualities, and may be contacted by the Scholarship Committee. Your referees cannot be family members, but could be from the following group of people:

- teacher or lecturer
- community member, for example, minister, community leader
- employer or supervisor of, for example, unpaid or voluntary work, vacation, part-time, or full-time employment
- other non-family member.

Selection process

Applications must be received at Open Polytechnic by 10 January 2014

The Scholarship Committee will consider all applications and award the scholarship to one or more applicant each year if possible. If no suitable candidate is identified in any year, the scholarship will not be awarded in that year.

The award will take into account:

- Disability – as it impacts on the applicants ability to study
- Financial need
- Commitment to study plan and the likely ability of the applicant(s) to successfully complete the chosen programme of study. By submitting this application, you are agreeing to participate in any publicity The Open Polytechnic may publish regarding this scholarship.

For further information contact the

Team Leader Services on 0508 650 200 or email
disabilities@openpolytechnic.ac.nz

SHONA BUTTERFIELD SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Open Polytechnic
KURATINI TUWHERA

Completed applications should be forwarded to:

The Scholarship Committee
Shona Butterfield Scholarship
Open Polytechnic
Private Bag 31 914
LOWER HUTT 5040

Applications must be received at Open Polytechnic by 10 January each year.

Personal details

Family Name _____

Given name(s) _____

Home Address _____

Phone _____

Mobile _____

Email _____

Have you enrolled with us before?

☐ Yes☐ No

If 'yes' give your student number:

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Disability details

What is the nature of your Disability and how does it impact on your ability to study?
(attach evidence of your disability if not previously supplied)

Study details

What programme would you like to study? _____

Give a brief outline of why you chose this programme and how it fits with your career goals or personal development:

Please describe how this scholarship would help you achieve your study goals:

Education History To Date

Please write a brief summary of your past educational history.

Referees

Please list the full names, addresses and telephone numbers of two people who could be contacted as referees:

Family Name _____	Given name(s) _____
Home Address _____	Phone _____
_____	Mobile _____
_____	Email _____
Relationship to Applicant: _____	

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Home Address _____	Phone _____
_____	Mobile _____
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Relationship to Applicant: _____	

Checklist

Check that the following have been included with your application (if not previously provided)

- ☐ Verified copy of birth certificate, New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency
- ☐ Evidence of disability.

Declaration

I am aware and accept that the personal information collected about me in connection with this application will be used and disclosed for the purposes of assessing this application, and

I declare that the statements made in this application are complete and correct. I acknowledge that Open Polytechnic may not consider my application if false information has been supplied or if it is not complete, or my application has not been received by Open Polytechnic by the due date.

Signed: _____ Date _____

Thank you. Your application for the 2014 Shona Butterfield Scholarship at Open Polytechnic has been received and you will be notified of the final decision of the Scholarship Committee by 30 January 2014.

Name: _____

Address: _____
