

TERTIARY EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS APPLICATION FORM

This application form must be read in conjunction with the attached criteria. All sections of this application form must be completed for the application to be considered. Please check carefully, including the necessary supporting documents, as listed below.

Applications close at 5:00pm Monday 19 October 2026. Late applications will not be considered.

Personal details

Applicant name Date of birth
 Postal address
 Contact number
 Email address
This is how the Council will contact you

Intended course of study

Please state your area of intended or current study and where this will be undertaken.
For example: Bachelor Science in Environmental Management at Otago University

Have you received a tertiary scholarship previously? ☐ Yes ☐ No
 If yes, what year was this received?

Other scholarships

Have you applied for other tertiary scholarships? If yes, please list below. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Education

Name of secondary school(s) attended.

Completed qualifications (NCEA, school certificate, University Entrance). Please detail the subjects.

Expected results 2026

Qualifications

Please list any additional qualifications or certificates you have been awarded.

Future intentions

Please describe your intended course of study, and where it is going to take you.

Supporting documents

Please include the following as accompanying support documents

- ☐ Curriculum Vitae (CV) - keep it brief but attach a detailed record of learning.
- ☐ A referee's report commenting on your academic achievements.
- ☐ A character referee report.
- ☐ Certified copy of your academic results
- ☐ Synopsis of reasons to be awarded the scholarship (no more than 500 words)
- ☐ Proof of NZ citizenship or permanent residence

Referees

Academic

Name Role/position

Relationship to you Contact number

Address

Email address

Character referee

Name Role/position

Relationship to you Contact number

Address

Email address

Conditions and declaration

1. I will only be eligible to be formally offered the scholarship if enrolled at a tertiary institution in the year of tenure and in compliance with any other specific requirements of the scholarship for which I have applied.
2. The Gore District Council may terminate a scholarship at any time and recoup any funds awarded, if it is satisfied that the recipient is not following the required programme of study or not otherwise complying with the conditions governing the scholarship.
3. A scholarship holder will have the right to appeal to the GM People & Culture at the Gore District Council against any decision to terminate the scholarship.
4. In accordance with the Privacy Act, information provided in this application will be used in the assessment of an applicant for a scholarship and potential work opportunities at the Gore District Council and if successful will be retained on the successful applicant's personal file. Applications from unsuccessful candidates will be destroyed.
5. Applicants selected for interview will be notified as soon as practicable after the closing date. Interviews are proposed to be conducted on the afternoon of **28 October 2026**.

Declaration

I, have read and understood the above conditions relating to the scholarships being offered and consent to the Council seeking verbal or written information on a confidential basis about me from my referees and authorise the information sought to be released by them to the Council for the purposes of ascertaining my suitability for the scholarship programme.

Signature Date

Completed applications need to be returned to Tracy Quertier to either Tertiary Education Scholarships, PO Box 8, Gore 9740 or email to: governance@goredc.govt.nz

Note: The completion of this does not indicate any obligation on the Gore District Council to award a scholarship.

Tertiary Education Scholarships Criteria

Objective

The scholarships are an initiative of the Gore District Youth Council and have been set up for young people from the Gore District who are commencing study in a Council relevant area, with the opportunity for paid work experience with the Council during future holiday breaks. The scholarships will be available to young people who can prove they are dedicated to studying, with a clear vision of the goals they want to achieve, and a passion for making a difference.

Eligibility

Applicants must be:

- school leavers aged 19 years or younger on 31 December 2026, residing within the Gore District, who are going on to study at a tertiary level, at a New Zealand university, or an education provider that is recognised by the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA);
- able to demonstrate their talent, dedication and passion for reaching their goals; and
- aiming to make a positive difference within the Gore community through their field of study or training.

Note - children of current staff and elected members are ineligible to apply.

Criteria

- Two scholarships are available annually in the form of a one-off grant of \$1,000.
- Applicants may be studying a Council relevant area including, but not limited to, civil engineering, environmental health, finance, information technology, planning, building, communications, administration, humanities, parks and recreation.
- As part of the scholarship entitlement the recipients may be offered up to 10 weeks paid work experience, at the Council, during the summer holidays for each year of their study (up to three years). This offer is dependent on the skills and interests of the scholarship recipient and the availability of suitable work at the Council.
- All applicants must complete a scholarship application form.
- Application forms must be received by the Council no later than 5:00pm Monday 19 October 2026, for study commencing in 2027.
- Applicants must be able to describe their intended course of study and future intentions on the application form.
- Scholarships can be only used for assistance towards expenses (for example fees, stationery, resources etc), for the nominated course of study the recipient has chosen.
- The applicant must disclose on the application form what the scholarship will be used for, and recipients must provide the Council with information showing how the money has been spent.
- The Council may reserve its right to confer preference to candidates who have not already secured a scholarship from other organisations.

Selection process

- Successful applicants will be decided by a selection panel consisting of the Gore District Council Human Resources Manager and Councillors.
- Applicants will be required to attend an interview as part of the selection process. Interviews for the 2026 scholarships will be held on the afternoon of 28 October 2026.
- A presentation to successful recipients is likely to take place at a function scheduled in mid-December.