

# Faculty of Engineering and Design BE(Hons) Kick Start Merit Award

<b>Code:</b>	874
<b>Faculty:</b>	Engineering and Design
<b>Applicable study:</b>	Part I of BE (Hons)
<b>Closing date:</b>	1 April 2025
<b>Tenure:</b>	One year
<b>For:</b>	Assistance with study
<b>Number on offer:</b>	Up to eight
<b>Offer rate:</b>	Annually
<b>Value:</b>	Up to \$2,500 each

## Description

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The Faculty of Engineering and Design BE(Hons) Kick Start Merit Award is funded by the Faculty of Engineering and Design.

The main purpose of the Award is to assist students with set up costs for their first year of a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in the Faculty of Engineering and Design.

## Selection process

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- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- The Award is made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

## Regulations

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1. The Award will be known as the Faculty of Engineering and Design BE(Hons) Kick Start Merit Award.
2. Up to eight Awards will be made annually, each for a period of one year, and will be of the value of up to \$2,500 each.
3. To be eligible for Award consideration, an applicant must be i) a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident (see Note II), ii) enrolled full-time in the first year of a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (BE(Hons)) degree or Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) conjoint degree at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland.
4. The basis of selection will be academic merit based on results at Level 2 or higher in the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) or an equivalent qualification and all round excellence in personal achievements including sporting achievements, leadership appointments, music achievements and involvement in community activities as assessed by a personal statement.
5. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Design (or nominee), the Associate Dean (Academic) (or

nominee) and the Student Development and Engagement Manager (or nominee) from the Faculty of Engineering and Design.

6. The Award will be paid in one instalment in Semester One, as soon as is practical after confirmation of the awardee's enrolment (that is, after the final date on which a student may add or delete courses without incurring a late enrolment fee).
7. To be paid the Award, awardees must be enrolled full-time in a BE(Hons) or BE(Hons) conjoint degree.
8. The Award may be held concurrently with any other scholarship, award or grant as long as the regulations for that scholarship, award or grant permit and the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves. It is the responsibility of the awardee to declare to the Scholarships Office all other scholarships, awards or grant funding received and for which the awardee receives payment while also in payment for this Award.
9. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there is no candidate that meets the criteria and/or no candidate of sufficient merit.
10. Payments under the terms of this Award remain tax-free as long as they are used for the payment of costs associated with an awardee's programme of study and/or to assist the awardee with living costs while studying (see Note I). Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Award.
11. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Award.
12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 1 April in the year of the award.
13. Notes [I]-[IV] below are deemed to be regulations.

## Notes

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- I. The tax-free status of this Award is under current legislation. The University of Auckland cannot guarantee this tax-free outcome.*
- II. New Zealand Permanent Residents have been granted a Permanent Resident Visa by Immigration New Zealand. For more information visit <https://www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand-visas/already-have-a-visa/becoming-a-permanent-resident>.*
- III. Awardees who take up this Award but do not complete at least two semesters of study in the Faculty of Engineering and Design at the University of Auckland will normally be required to pay back the full sum of monies received.*
- IV. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Award and must notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that an awardee is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Award and require repayment of the funds received.*