

# PMA Knowledge Hub Postgraduate Certificate Award

<b>Code:</b>	1217
<b>Faculty:</b>	Education and Social Work Medical and Health Sciences
<b>Applicable study:</b>	PGCertHSc or PGCertSCL
<b>Closing date:</b>	By nomination
<b>Tenure:</b>	Varies
<b>For:</b>	Tuition fees
<b>Number on offer:</b>	Varies
<b>Offer rate:</b>	Twice a year
<b>Value:</b>	Up to \$6,000 each

## Description

The Award was established in 2024 and is funded by (PMA) Pasifika Medical Association and supported by the Office of the Associate Dean – Pacific, the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences, to support Pacific students and study that seeks to improve Pacific peoples' health and social well-being outcomes.

The main purpose of the Award is to encourage and support Pacific students to complete either a Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences or a Postgraduate Certificate in Social and Community Leadership.

## Selection process

- Nomination is made to the Scholarships Office
- The Award is made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

## Regulations

1. The Award will be known as the PMA Knowledge Hub Postgraduate Certificate Award.
2. Awards will be made twice a year and will cover compulsory fees for the duration of the programme up to a value of \$6,000 each (see Note I).
3. To be eligible for Award consideration, a candidate must i) be a Pacific student (see Note II), ii) be a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident (see Note III), iii) have completed the Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland Health Science micro-credential course, HLTHSCI 7001MC: Improving Wellbeing Outcomes for Pacific Families, iv) not have completed a prior undergraduate or postgraduate tertiary qualification, and v) be enrolled in either a Postgraduate Certificate in Health Sciences (PGCertHSc) or a Postgraduate Certificate in Social and Community Leadership (PGCertSCL).
4. The basis of selection will be academic achievement as assessed by the grade achieved in the Health Science micro-credential course HLTHSCI 7001MC.
5. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Associate Dean (Pacific) of the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences (or nominee), two members of

the teaching staff of HLTHSCI 7001MC, of whom one will be a Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland academic staff member, and one will be a representative of PMA, nominated by the Associate Dean (Pacific) of the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences.

6. The Award will be paid as a tuition fees credit in each semester of enrolment, 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 or part-time in either a PGCertHSc or PGCertSCL (see Note IV).
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 and grant funding received and for which the awardee receives payment while also in payment for this Award.
9. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the donor, has the power to terminate or suspend an Award if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress by a Scholar from the Associate Dean (Pacific) of the Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences.
10. 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.
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. Notes [I]-[V] below are deemed to be regulations.

## Notes

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- I. *Compulsory fees are only those related to the relevant programme of study, plus Student Services Fee.*
- II. *Pacific applicants are defined as New Zealand Citizens or Permanent Residents who are of Indigenous Pacific descent from any of the following islands: Samoa, American Samoa, Tonga, Cook Islands, Niue, Tokelau, Fiji (iTaukei), Rotuma, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Kiribati, Tuvalu, Palau, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Wallis and Futuna, Hawaii, French Polynesia, Rapanui (Easter Island), Pitcairn Islands, Nauru, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands.*
- III. *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>.*
- IV. *Enrolment may commence in either Semester One or Two.*
- V. *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.*
- VI. *These regulations are subject to Senate and Council approval.*