

Rainbow New Zealand Charitable Trust Tertiary Scholarship

Overview

The Rainbow NZ Charitable Trust offers two \$3,000 scholarships for the first year of tertiary study. The awards are offered annually to students who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or intersex (LGBTI); are seen as good role models by peers and teachers; and who have excelled in effort and achievement in their secondary education.

This year's applications close 31 October 2018 for study in the 2019 academic year. A shortlist will be finalised in November, and interviews with those candidates will be scheduled for early December. Interviews are held in Auckland, but can be facilitated by video conference for out-of-town candidates.

Conditions

The Award is open to any LGBTI+ student who is enrolling in a full time degree course, of at least three years duration, at any tertiary level institution recognised as such by the NZQA. The degree must be on the New Zealand Register of Quality Assured Qualifications. The recipient must be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident and have lived in New Zealand for at least the previous two years.

The recipient will have shown a good level of academic achievement during their secondary studies. Involvement in extra-curricular/co-curricular activities will be of particular interest. The recipient's personal history, financial needs, academic record (particularly in terms of effort and achievement), and plans will be taken into account.

About the Scholarship

The recipients will be entering the first semester of year one, having successfully completed secondary school and having achieved university entrance in either of the previous two academic years prior to the year of intended tertiary study. (This allows for students taking a gap year.) Candidates will apply by completing all parts of the application form.

The Scholarship will be paid upon proof of registration and payment of course fees. Recipients who hold other grants or awards may be awarded a sum up to the value stipulated by the regulations (if any) relating to those grants or awards.

All candidates must be available (at their own cost) to attend an interview in Auckland and to be available to accept the award at an appropriate time and place in Auckland.

Recipients will report briefly to the Trust at the end of their first year of study.

The Trust reserves the right to not make awards in any particular academic year and explanatory reasons need not be given.

What to do

Complete the application form below.

(Further copies of the application form are available online at rainbownzcharitabletrust.org.nz)

Scan all completed application documents and material and email to: trust@rainbownzcharitabletrust.org.nz

Rainbow New Zealand Charitable Trust Tertiary Scholarship Application 2018

Personal Details

Family Name: _____ Given Name(s): _____

Postal Address: _____

Home Ph: _____ Mobile: _____ Email: _____

Proposed course: _____

Application to tertiary institution confirmed?

Documents to supply

Please tick the items below to indicate you have completed and submitted all required documents

Contact details for two people to be contacted as referees. One must be a school teacher or representative, the other may be another teacher, mentor or person of standing in the community

Transcript of NCEA (or equivalent) results to date

Other supporting evidence of academic progress if necessary

Proof of New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency

A brief description of why you believe you should receive this scholarship, including:

- A brief description of yourself
- Your progress to date at secondary school
- Your educational background, sports, arts and community involvement
- Any involvement in the LBGTQI+ community
- Any future academic or employment plans you may have
- An outline of how your studies are being financed

Declaration

I meet all course and assessment requirements

All information provided in true and correct

I agree to allow the RNZCT to contact my referees

I agree to allow the RNZCT to use my name and photograph for the purpose of publicising the scholarship

I have read and I accept the terms of the award, and I confirm that I identify as gay/lesbian /bisexual/transgender/intersex; am a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident; and that I have resided in New Zealand for at least the last two years

Signature: _____ Date: _____