

2023 PACIFICA RE-START TERTIARY EDUCATION GRANTS



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1. BACKGROUND:

PACIFICA (Pacific Allied (Women's) Council Inspires Faith in Ideals Concerning All Incorporated) is a non-profit community organisation that was founded in 1976 with a network of branches throughout Aotearoa-New Zealand. Our 20 branches operate in our three designated regions: Northern, Central and Southern. (Please see map on Page 2).

From 2002 to 2010, PACIFICA branches fundraised to build an education fund to provide educational grants to assist Pacific students with their educational development and to help fulfil their dreams and aspirations. PACIFICA has been distributing these grants since 2010.

In 2023, PACIFICA Inc. is delighted to offer tertiary education grants of \$1,500 to a Pacific woman in each of the PACIFICA regions – Northern, Central, and Southern - who, through changed circumstances, is currently undertaking tertiary education to improve her employment options and would benefit from support to achieve their goals. Preference will be given to PACIFICA members.

2. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

Applications are welcome from any woman of Pacific descent who:

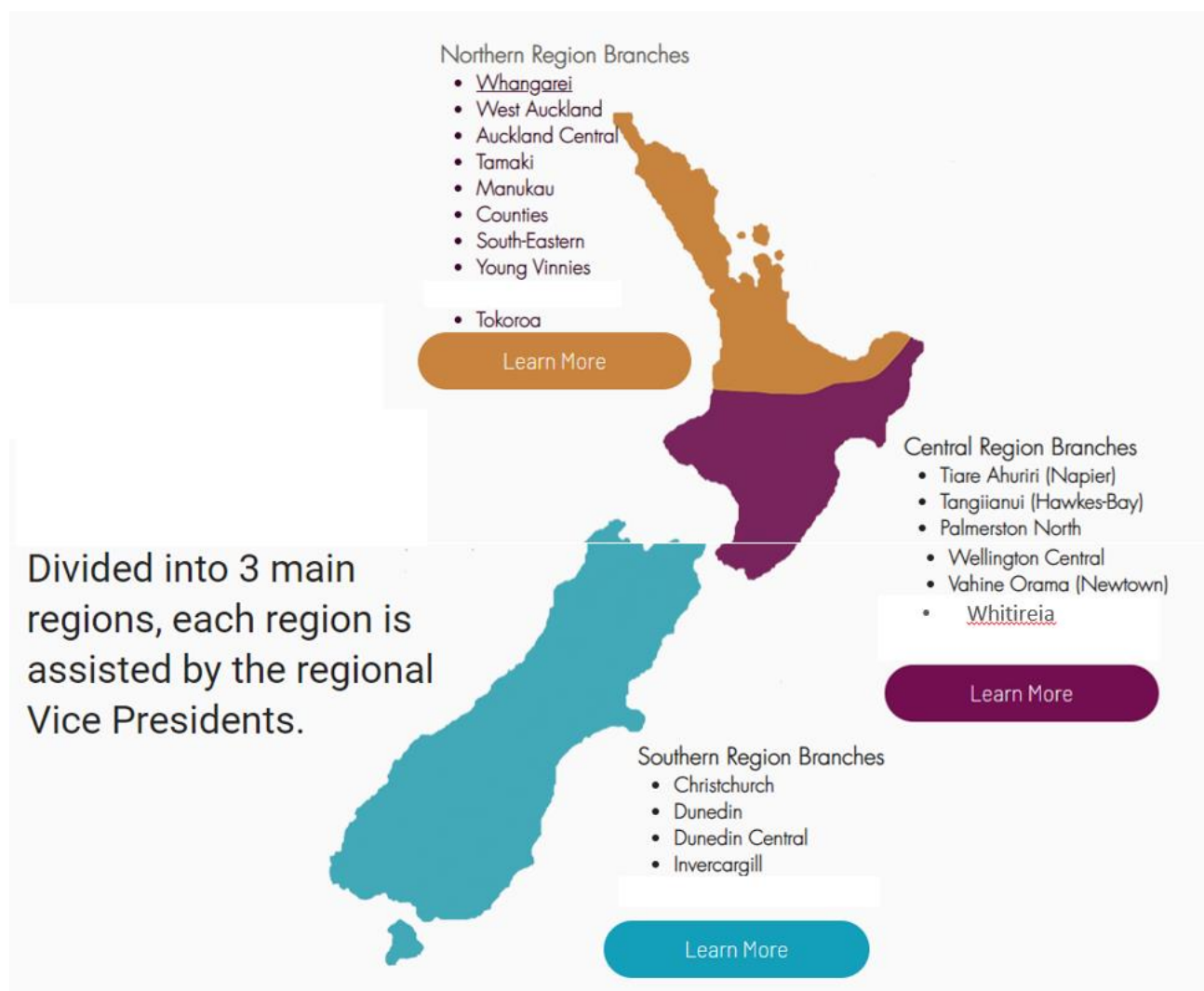
- is currently enrolled in full time tertiary education in 2023.
- has lived in the relevant (Northern / Central / Southern) region for at least two years prior to applying.
- holds New Zealand Citizenship or Permanent Residency or is a current PACIFICA member on a Student Visa.
- can demonstrate a change in life circumstances (e.g. career, family, redundancy). (Note that these grants are NOT offered to School-leavers)
- is willing to be profiled for PACIFICA's promotional purposes, and make a presentation at a PACIFICA event, if required.
- is prepared to become a PACIFICA member (if not already) for at least 2 years.

3. PROCESS/TIMEFRAME

APPLICATIONS OPEN IN ALL REGIONS	Mon 15 May 2023
APPLICATIONS CLOSE IN ALL REGIONS	Mon 12 June 2023, 5pm
CANDIDATES SELECTED IN EACH REGION AND ALL APPLICANTS INFORMED OF OUTCOME	Mon 10 July 2023
SCHOLARSHIP PAYMENTS	By end of July 2023
PACIFICA PRESENTATION CEREMONY/EVENT	To be arranged and confirmed with recipients

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4. MAP OF PACIFICA REGIONS: see <https://www.pacifica.org.nz/branches> for updated map



5. OTHER INFORMATION:

- Your application will not be considered if you do not complete ALL SECTIONS of the application form. Please see Pages 3 – 5 and provide all supporting documentation.
- The Selection Panel will comprise of the 3 PACIFICA Regional Vice Presidents, the National Youth Rep and other PACIFICA members. The Selection Panel will conduct selections for all 3 regions.
- Decisions of the Selection Panel are final and all applicants will be advised accordingly of the outcome.
- **APPLICATION FORMS** can be downloaded from the PACIFICA Inc website www.pacifica.org.nz/scholarships or sent to you by emailing pacificanationalexec@gmail.com
- **CONTACT:** pacificanationalexec@gmail.com for further information.
- Please email your COMPLETED application form with ALL supporting documentation to: pacificanationalexec@gmail.com **by 5PM, Monday 12 June 2023.** No hard-copy applications will be accepted.
- **Incomplete and late applications will not be accepted.**

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APPLICATION FORM

1.	Region from where you are applying: Northern/Southern/Central				
2.	How long have you lived in that region				
3.	Surname/Family Name				
4.	First and middle names				
5.	Date of birth				
6.	Home address				
7.	Suburb				
8.	Town/City				
9.	Postal code				
10.	E-mail address				
11.	Home/Landline No				
12.	Mobile No				
13.	Country of Birth				
14.	If you were not born in Aotearoa NZ are you a:	<input type="checkbox"/>	NZ Citizen		
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Permanent Resident		
		<input type="checkbox"/>	PACIFICA member on a Student Visa		
		<i>(Please tick relevant box & attach documentation)</i>			
15.	Ethnicity: Which Pasifika group(s) do you belong to:	SAMOA		TOKELAU	
		TONGA		TUVALU	
		COOK IS		KIRIBATI	
		FIJI		TAHITIAN	
		NIUE		OTHER: Please state	
16.	Which Tertiary Education Institution are you currently studying full-time at?	<i>(Please attach confirmation from education institution)</i>			
17.	Full address of this tertiary institution	Address: Town/City: Postcode:			

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18.	What education qualification(s) are you working towards?	Title of qualification(s): Major(s) or specialisation(s): What Year/Level are you in?
19.	When do you expect to graduate?	
20.	Please describe (i) your personal circumstances which led to you undertaking full time tertiary study and (ii) how this grant will contribute to your educational success and future.	<i>(Write no more than 1,000 words. Please use a separate sheet and attach)</i>
21.	Please attach a copy of your curriculum vitae (CV)	
22.	Please attach <u>two references</u> from people who can vouch for your personal and educational situation	

23. PRIVACY STATEMENT:

I ACKNOWLEDGE/CONSENT TO:

- The information I have provided in this application is true and correct.
- The personal information provided in this application is collected and held by P.A.C.I.F.I.C.A. Inc.
- My information is used for the purpose of administering and assessing/processing my application. People who have direct access to my information are members of the P.A.C.I.F.I.C.A. Inc. National Executive and the Grant selection panel.
- My name will appear in P.A.C.I.F.I.C.A. Inc. reports and publicity material where and when appropriate.
- I have the right under the Privacy Act 1993 to obtain and request correction of my personal information held by P.A.C.I.F.I.C.A. Inc.
- I will be profiled for PACIFICA's promotional purposes, and may be required to make a presentation at a PACIFICA event.
- **NON-PACIFICA members:** If I am offered a grant I will register as a member of PACIFICA before the funds are released to me.

Please sign below to confirm your acknowledgement and consent:

(Full Name)

(Signature)

(Date)

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CHECK-LIST:

Before sending in your application, please ensure you have answered all the questions and attached the relevant documentation with your application form

Questions		Tick
13.	Copy of birth certificate or NZ Passport OR	
14.	Certified Copy of NZ Residency if you were not born in NZ	
16.	Confirmation of current enrolment at a tertiary education institution	
20.	Statement (< 1,000 words) on the changes in personal circumstances that led to pursuit of full-time tertiary study and how this grant will contribute to your educational success and future	
21.	Curriculum vitae (CV)	
22.	Two written references	
23.	Signed Privacy Statement	

PLEASE NOTE: Incomplete and/or late applications will not be accepted.

Application deadline: 5:00pm Monday 12 June 2023

Email applications to pacificanationalexec@gmail.com