Waikato Graduate Women Educational Trust
Ngā Raukura Wāhine Mātauranga o Waikato

Te Matau o Kiwa Prize – Information

1. **Purpose**
   This Prize, which was first created in 2023, is to support a Māori or Pacific woman enrolled in Te Pua Wānanga ki te Ao - Faculty of Māori and Indigenous Studies in the final year of a three-year bachelor programme.

2. **Prize**
   $1,000 and a certificate. The funds will be transferred to the recipient's nominated bank account and the certificate is normally presented to the recipient at the Trust's annual awards ceremony.

3. **Closing date**
   30 April.

4. **Eligibility criteria**
   The recipient must be of Māori or Pacific descent, who at the time:
   a. is enrolled full or part-time in their first bachelor's degree in Te Pua Wānanga ki te Ao - Faculty of Māori and Indigenous Studies;
   b. have completed the second year of their programme and have enrolled in the third year of their bachelor qualification;
   c. is considered the most outstanding woman student in the programme, based on academic merit and/or demonstrated commitment to study and/or a demonstrated commitment to making a contribution to the Faculty and the wider community;
   d. is a New Zealand citizen or has been a permanent resident for at least two years.

5. **Selection process**
   The Dean or delegate of Te Pua Wānanga ki te Ao - Faculty of Māori and Indigenous Studies will:
   a. select one recipient, based on academic merit and/or commitment to study, and/or commitment to the Faculty and the wider community;
   b. if, in their opinion, there is no suitable candidate, no prize will be awarded;
   c. email the Waikato Graduate Women Educational Trust Awards Committee (awards@wgweducationaltrust.nz) by the closing date, with the name of the recipient, their programme, brief description of why they have been chosen, and whether they are willing to have their name listed on the website;
   d. the recipient must indicate whether they are willing to have their name listed on the Waikato Graduate Women Educational Trust website.