

**Waikato Graduate Women Educational Trust  
Ngā Raukura Wāhine Mātauranga o Waikato**

**Te Raranga Mātauranga Award – Information**

**1. Purpose**

This Award, which was established in 2004, is to assist women Māori women students enrolled full-time at the University of Waikato in the final year of their first undergraduate degree.

**2. Award**

\$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**

Applicants must be Māori women students who, at the time of being nominated, are:

- a. Enrolled, preferably full-time, in the final year of their first Bachelor's degree in one of the five academic Divisions<sup>1</sup> at the University of Waikato;
- b. a New Zealand citizen, or have held permanent residence for at least two years.

**5. Nomination process**

- a. Each academic Division<sup>1</sup> is invited to nominate up to two candidates for the Award annually. Criteria for selection can be any one or more of: contribution to the Māori community (within and/or external to the University), academic capability, contribution to their programme, contribution to the University/Division environment, or other appropriate criteria;
- b. Nominations must be on the nomination form, available on the Academic Awards page of the [WGWET website](#);
- c. Nominations, which must be received by the closing date, can be submitted to the Waikato Graduate Women Educational Trust Awards Committee by email to [awards@wgweducationaltrust.nz](mailto:awards@wgweducationaltrust.nz);
- d. Applicants must have signed the nomination form, agreeing to being nominated;
- e. Individuals who have not been nominated by their Division cannot apply.

**6. Selection**

- a. The Awards Committee of the Waikato Graduate Women Educational Trust will administer the Award;
- b. The number of awards will be subject to availability of funds and the standard of applications. If, in the opinion of the Committee, applications are not of an acceptable standard, no award will be made;
- c. The Committee's decision is final.

**7. Awarding**

Award winners and their Division will be informed of the Awards Committee's decision in June of the year the nomination is submitted.

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<sup>1</sup> Arts, Law, Psychology & Social Sciences; Education; STEM; Health; Management