

NEW ZEALAND PACIFIC UNION CONFERENCE

NEW ZEALAND STUDENTS' SCHOLARSHIP AVONDALE UNIVERSITY

For CALENDAR YEAR _____

Information for New Zealand students attending Avondale University

The New Zealand Pacific Union Conference (NZPUC) acknowledges that New Zealand students incur additional costs when attending Avondale University. The purpose of this scholarship is to assist New Zealand residents by making an Avondale education more viable and to support the training of prospective denominational workers for the church in New Zealand.

Please Note: Be sure to read this information carefully, as it differs significantly from earlier forms and is the only one to use for 2024 academic year.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- a) The applicant must be enrolled/enrolling in undergraduate study at or below a Bachelor level. (Bridging courses are not covered by this provision)
- b) Applicants must be
 - i. New Zealand citizens or residents with New Zealand ***continuing to be their home base***,
 - OR
 - ii. ***Dependent children of denominational employees*** transferred from Australia to New Zealand ***in response to an official call of the Church***.
- c) The applicant must demonstrate a commitment to Christ and to the mission and teachings of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. This includes regular attendance and appropriate involvement at their local Seventh-day Adventist Church. It is generally expected that applicants, especially those studying theology, will have signified their commitment to Christ and the Seventh-day Adventist Church through baptism.
- d) Applicants, other than students who are dependents of denominational employees transferred from Australia, ***must be intending and available to return to denominational employment in New Zealand following the completion of their qualification and work one year for each year assistance is received***.
- e) Students enrolled in Graduate, Postgraduate, Master or Doctoral programmes are not eligible.

TERMS

1. This assistance is granted on an annual basis. The receipt of assistance in any year does not guarantee that this assistance will continue for the applicant's remaining years of study. This assistance must be applied for each year.
2. For 2024, the value of the scholarship will be calculated as 20% of the Tuition fees only.
3. The sponsorship will not exceed the maximum number of units required for the completion of the chosen course of study. A 3-year degree at 8 units per year has 24 units. A 4-year degree has 32.
4. ***The scholarship is not available for subjects that are withdrawn or repeated.*** The applicant must remain enrolled in each subject unit for which support is given throughout the semester. It is the responsibility of the student to report any withdrawal or repeat to the Secretary Treasurer of the NZPUC.
5. Re-applications for funding are carefully evaluated each semester, as we receive the transcripts directly from Avondale University. (See the declarations for details)
6. The scholarship granted will be credited to the student's account and offset against fees and the corresponding charge sent through to the New Zealand Pacific Union Conference.
7. Successful applications cannot be deferred. Annual re-application will be necessary.
8. Applications should be submitted to the New Zealand Pacific Union Conference before the second Monday in February, at the very latest. Applications arriving after that time, will be held over for consideration for Semester 2. Closing date for applications for Semester 2 is the last Monday in June.
9. Applicants and re-applicants are asked to nominate a referee and may expect to be interviewed by a senior member of the NZPUC ministry team as part of the continuous monitoring of progress. Thus, early applications would be appreciated.
10. The New Zealand Pacific Union Conference is responsible for authorising all applications for the Scholarship and shall notify both the applicant and Avondale University of the approval.
11. Except for students who are dependents of denominational employees transferred from Australia:
 - i. Scholarship recipients who decline a call to serve in New Zealand, or in case of teachers decline a request by the Director of Education to apply for and accept a job offer, will be required to reimburse the New Zealand Pacific Union Conference the total value of assistance received.
 - ii. Those who leave denominational employment in New Zealand prior to serving the equivalent number of years for which this assistance was received will be required to reimburse the New Zealand Pacific Union Conference on a pro rata basis.

PROCESS

1. Applications will usually be processed within 2 weeks of the advertised closing date.
2. Details of successful applications will be provided directly to Avondale University.
3. Applicants will be formally notified in writing.
4. Applications should be emailed to: nzpuc@adventist.org.nz
Or mailed to:

NZ Scholarships
NZPUC
Private Bag 94200
Howick 2145



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Application Form

Please follow the instructions for each step and complete each section as requested:

STEP 1: To be completed by All Applicants

Personal Information					
First Names:				Preferred Name:	
Surname/Family Name:				Gender:	Title:
Date of Birth:		dd	mm	yy	Citizenship:
Avondale Student Number: (assigned during the enrolment process)				S	
Application Details					
This is a first-time application – please complete the full application form.					
This is a re-application – please skip through to Step 3 unless your contact details have changed in the past year.					

STEP 2: To be completed by New Applicants unless your details have changed

New Zealand Residential Address				
Street Address:				
Postcode:		Contact Phone Number in New Zealand::		
Email Address:				
Church Relationship <i>(Please circle the appropriate answer)</i>				
Are you a baptised member of the Adventist Church?		Yes	No	Date / Year of Baptism:
Church where your membership is held:				
Name of the local church you attend:				
How active are you currently in your local Seventh-day Adventist Church? Please circle the response which applies				
Not at all	I participate and attend on occasion	I am a regular participant and attender	I am active in church leadership	
Previously Completed Academic Qualifications <i>(including secondary school)</i>				
Diploma/Degree Awarded	Institution/School		Year Awarded	

STEP 3: To be completed by All Applicants

Proposed Course of Study <i>(The questions relating to completed units are for re-applications only)</i>							
Name of Course of Study:		Normal Duration of Course (in years)		1	2	3	4
Number of Units to be attempted in coming year.		Anticipated Graduation Year:					
Successful Units completed to date:		Unsuccessful units:		Units Pending outcome:			
Previous Sponsorships from NZPUC							
Year	Course of Study			Number of Subjects / Units funded			
Sponsorships for this Course from Other Sources							
Year	Source of Sponsorship (Sponsored by....)			Number of Subjects/Units Funded			
Australian Contact Details <i>(Please circle the appropriate answer)</i>							
Australian Mobile Phone Number: +61-				If known.			
Australian Email:							
Accommodation Details: While studying at Avondale, I will be living... <i>(Please circle)</i> .							
in Avondale residences	In Avondale Married Quarters	off-campus in Australia	In New Zealand				
*CSP/HECS Funding <i>*Commonwealth Supported Place (Select one option)</i>							
I am a full fee-paying student		My subjects are CSP funded		Not known at this time			

Step 4 To be completed by All Applicants

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING <i>(Please acknowledge each statement with a tick)</i>	
☐	Receipt of this assistance in any particular year does not guarantee continued assistance in subsequent years.
☐	Receipt of this assistance does not guarantee the recipient employment upon graduation.
☐	The NZPUC will closely monitor the progress of all scholarship recipients and request academic transcripts directly from Avondale University each semester.

Declarations *(Please acknowledge each declaration with a tick)*

	I affirm that I have read the information provided with this application form and that I meet the applicable eligibility criteria as specified, and,
	I accept that by receiving this scholarship I am bonded to return to New Zealand and work for the Church, if offered a position, for one year for each year that this assistance is received, and
	I agree to repay the assistance received if I am not able to fulfil the bonding requirements as per the terms of this scholarship, and
	I affirm the information provided above is accurate and complete in all respects.
	I agree that a nominee of the NZPUC be given access to my academic transcript at Avondale University each semester.

Signature

Applicant's signature

Date completed

Step 5 –To be completed by New Applicants only- Please complete this section

Confidential Referee from your local Church

Please nominate a church leader from your local church who will act as a confidential referee on your behalf. We will contact the individual for a confidential discussion.

Nominee's Name:		Nominee's Mobile Number:	
Nominee's Position in local church:			
For Office Use only:	Proceed with Application	Proceed with Caution	Do not proceed
	Comment:		

Step 6 - Checklist:

To ensure that you have completed the essential information in this application, please complete this checklist.

	I have provided all the personal details requested. (Step 1)
	I have provided full contact details, church involvement, and past scholastic record. (Step 2) <i>(New Applicants only)</i> .
	I provided all the currently known information regarding my course of study for 2024. (Step 3) <i>(All Applicants)</i>
	I have read, understood and acknowledged the declarations in Step 4. <i>(All applicants)</i>
	I have provided details of a confidential referee in Step 5 <i>(New applicants only)</i>

Step 7 All applications should be:

Emailed to: nzpuc@adventist.org.nz	or Mailed to: NZ Scholarships NZPUC Private Bag 94200 Howick 2145 New Zealand
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