



**WELLPARK**  
College of Natural Therapies

### **THE PREMA TRUST NATURAL HEALTH SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Prema Trust is a registered charitable trust with aims and objectives in the field of natural health, education and spirituality.

The Trust has approved a scholarship programme with the following aims:

1. Allowing students (who would otherwise be disadvantaged through financial hardship) to study natural medicine successfully
2. Targeting areas within society, which could potentially benefit from natural medicine, for educational programme funding, such as Maori and Pasifika, where there is an established need for specific programmes
3. Allowing practitioners, researchers, staff and students to conduct research that would otherwise not be able to be conducted due to financial constraints (ie. they are ineligible to apply for a student loan via Studylink)

In order to achieve these aims the Trust has set out three scholarships:

1. A general natural health scholarship – this is open to all students who meet the criteria
2. A Maori or Pasifika Scholarship – open to students of Maori or Pasifika descent
3. A research scholarship – open to postgraduate students to carry out a specific research project in natural medicine

\*Each scholarship is worth \$1,000 and has a specific set of criteria and application process.

\*\* Applicants for the scholarships must meet all the eligibility criteria for entry into Full-Time Programmes at Wellpark College of Natural Therapies.

## **A. CRITERIA FOR EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP – GENERAL**

a. Applicant for scholarship must show:

- i. That they could not complete the course without financial assistance
- ii. That they will be able to successfully complete the programme
- iii. How their completion of the programme will benefit New Zealand Society

This must be in the form of a short essay.

b. Applicant must produce evidence to substantiate the essay. This may be in the form of:

- i. Documentation from WINZ or any other agency showing financial hardship
- ii. Evidence of previous academic achievement
- iii. Two references (from either: a teacher or principal of an educational institution, justice of the peace, doctor or lawyer) to show evidence of good character and willingness to serve New Zealand society

## **B. CRITERIA FOR EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP – MAORI OR PASIFIKA**

The applicants for this scholarship must meet the criteria for the general scholarship plus show evidence that:

- a. They are of Maori or Pasifika descent
- b. Shows how they will utilise their professional education to serve their specific community

## **C. CRITERIA FOR RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP**

Applicants for this scholarship must be recommended by their respective Programme Leader. This recommendation will be based on their literature review and reflect a real benefit to the College and the health care system from conducting this research.

The applicants must:

- a. Conduct their research within the framework of the College's research strategy and in conjunction with the College's research and faculty staff.
- b. Show how their research project will benefit the Trust's aims and objectives as well as New Zealand society
- c. Provide a project summary as required by the College's research committee
- d. Have the research approved by the committee prior to the scholarship being granted.