

2024 PACIFICA 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 22 branches operate in our three designated regions: Northern, Central and Southern.

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 2024, PACIFICA Inc. is delighted to offer tertiary education grants of \$2,000 to a Pacific woman in each of the PACIFICA regions – Northern, Central, and Southern – who are currently undertaking undergraduate study and would benefit from some financial support to continue their tertiary education and achieve their goals. Preference will be given to current PACIFICA members or close family of PACIFICA members.

2. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

Applications are welcome from any woman of Pacific descent who:

- is currently enrolled in full time, undergraduate study in tertiary education in 2024. (Undergraduate certificates & diplomas, bachelor's degrees)
- holds New Zealand Citizenship or Permanent Residency or is a current PACIFICA member on a Student Visa.
- would benefit from some financial support in their tertiary study
- 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 12 August 2024
APPLICATIONS CLOSE IN ALL REGIONS (extended due date)	Mon 9 September
CANDIDATES SELECTED IN EACH REGION AND ALL APPLICANTS INFORMED OF OUTCOME	Friday 27 September
GRANT PAYMENTS	By 11 October
PACIFICA PRESENTATION CEREMONY/EVENT	To be arranged and confirmed with recipients

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4. 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/grants or sent to you by emailing pacificanationalexec@gmail.com
- **CONTACT:** pacificanationalexec@gmail.com for any queries.
- Please email your COMPLETED application form with ALL supporting documentation to: pacificanationalexec@gmail.com **by 5PM, Monday 9 September 2024.** 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.	Are you a:	<input type="checkbox"/>	NZ Citizen		
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Permanent Resident		
		<input type="checkbox"/>	PACIFICA member on a Student Visa		
15.	Ethnicity: Which Pasifika group(s) do you belong to:	<input type="checkbox"/>	SAMOA	<input type="checkbox"/>	TOKELAU
		<input type="checkbox"/>	TONGA	<input type="checkbox"/>	TUVALU
		<input type="checkbox"/>	COOK IS	<input type="checkbox"/>	KIRIBATI
		<input type="checkbox"/>	FIJI	<input type="checkbox"/>	TAHITIAN
		<input type="checkbox"/>	NIUE	<input type="checkbox"/>	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 undergraduate 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 complete this qualification?	
20.	PERSONAL STATEMENT Please outline the reasons why you should receive this grant, noting the main criteria is financial need. Describe the impacts this grant would have on your educational success.	<i>(Write no more than 1,000 words. Please use a separate sheet and attach)</i>
21.	Key achievements to date (academic achievement as well as leadership, church, community service, sports, clubs/activities, etc)	
22.	Outline your connection(s) to PACIFICA Inc. (if any)	
23.	Please attach a copy of your curriculum vitae (CV)	
24.	Please attach <u>two references</u> from people who can vouch for your personal and educational situation (Referees can be a lecturer/tutor/professor, employer, church minister or other community leader who knows you well. Family members should <u>not</u> be referees.)	

25. 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
16.	Confirmation of current undergraduate enrolment at a tertiary education institution	
20.	Personal Statement (< 1,000 words)	
23.	Curriculum vitae (CV)	
24.	Two written references	
25.	Signed Privacy Statement	

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Application deadline: 5:00pm Monday 9 September 2024

Email applications to pacificanationalexec@gmail.com