



Stepping Stone Financial Assistance Scholarship

ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP

Applicable study:	Any 15-credit level 5 course offered in the New Zealand Certificate in Christian Studies or the New Zealand Diploma in Christian Studies
Closing date:	31 January, 30 June in the year of the scholarship
Tenure:	One semester
Number on offer:	Up to thirty (30)
Value:	50% tuition fees rebate for one 15 credit course / or equivalent amount for living or course related costs.

PURPOSE

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support students who are at the early stages of theological or biblical study, with a view to completing the New Zealand Certificate in Christian Studies or New Zealand Diploma in Christian Studies.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

These scholarships are tenable by domestic students, who:

- are enrolling in a 15 credit first or second course in the New Zealand Certificate in Christian Studies or the New Zealand Diploma in Christian Studies
- meet the programme entry requirements
- demonstrate financial need
- demonstrate the willingness and potential to successfully complete a course/programme of study
- show a deep and sincere faith demonstrated in service to Church/community and a desire to personally grow in their faith

APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

Applications must be made by filling out the Scholarship Application Form and submitting to the Academic Registrar by the closing date. Scholarships are managed and awarded by the Carey Scholarships Committee.

REGULATIONS

- The Scholarships are tenable by domestic students only.
- Applicants must be enrolled in a course in the New Zealand Certificate in Christian Studies or the New Zealand Diploma in Christian Studies. Other eligible undergraduate programmes may be considered.
- The Scholarship will cover a maximum of 50% of one 15 credit undergraduate course. A recipient of the Scholarship may reapply in subsequent years but there is no guarantee of further scholarships.
- Carey is not obliged to award a Scholarship in any given year if there is no candidate of sufficient merit.
- Payments under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax-free as long as they are used directly for the payment of costs associated with a Scholar's programme of study. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.
- Carey has the power to amend or vary these regulations, provided there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
- If the applicant is eligible for Fees Free the scholarship may be used for living or course related costs. See <https://www.ird.govt.nz/fees-free>.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE AND DETAILS

- A maximum of thirty scholarships will be awarded in the form of a tuition fee rebate up to the value of 50% of one 15 credit course only.
- In the case of a Fees Free eligible student, the equivalent amount of the awarded scholarship will be paid to the student for living or course related costs.