Ngāi Tamarāwaho Peri Kohu Memorial Scholarship

A scholarship fund in memory of a highly respected kaumatua of

Ngāi Tamarāwaho, Peri Kohu, who passed away in August 2022.

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| **Purpose and Intent:** The Ngāi Tamarāwaho Peri Kohu Memorial Scholarship is aimed at developing professional expertise for the long-term benefit of the hapū. Applicants must whakapapa to the hapū, must have completed at least one year of study towards a professional qualification, and be intending to continue said full-time study at a tertiary institution in the year following this application.  **About Peri Kohu**  Peri Reweti Kohu was born in 1951 in Nuhaka and educated at Bethlehem Native School (now named Bethlehem School) and Church College of New Zealand in Hamilton. He was a musician, historian and researcher in raupatu and whakapapa issues for the Ngāti Ranginui hapu Ngāi Tamarāwaho. Peri was one of three Treaty negotiators for Ngāi Tamarawaho, his mandate being whakapapa. He was a consultant to Transit New Zealand, Tauranga City Council and Western Bay of Plenty Council, and he wrote an article in Te Iwi o Aotearoa assessing the honouring of the Treaty of Waitangi prior to the 1990 commemorations of the signing of the Treaty.  To those who knew him, he was a good, humble man who was passionate about growing a public cultural awareness of Tauranga’s heritage. “He was good to his whanau, to his hapū, to his iwi, to the wider tangata whenua of Tauranga Moana, to his LDS church and to his Tauranga community in general. He always looked for opportunities to say and do the right thing,” – Buddy Mikaere |

**Criteria and Regulations:**

1. The student must whakapapa to Ngāi Tamarāwaho and have an attestation from two kaumatua attesting to this fact.
2. The student must have successfully completed at least one year of full-time study towards a professional qualification at a University or Polytechnic.

*Note: For the avoidance of doubt, ‘professional qualification’ does not include:*

* *A trades qualification,*
* *A qualification relating to cultural competence (i.e. learning Te Reo) or*
* *A general course of study such as a BA.*

1. The student must be enrolled in at least the second year of full-time study in the programme of study referred to in paragraph 2 above.
2. The student must have demonstrated significant contribution and commitment to the hapū.
3. The Scholarship shall have a total value of $5,000 and is tenable for one year.
4. The Scholarship will be paid to the successful applicant in two instalments of $2,500; the first instalment being paid in Feb/March following receipt of a Statement of Intent for full-time study for the year ahead and proof of academic results for the previous year, and the second instalment being paid in July following receipt of the first semester’s academic results. Proof of bank account must also be provided to the Acorn Foundation before funds are transferred.
5. Applications for the Ngāi Tamarāwaho Peri Kohu Memorial Scholarship must be received by the Acorn Foundation on the prescribed form with all required attachments by 5pm, 30 November for study in the year following.
6. The applications will be reviewed and decided upon by a panel comprising:
   1. Two shareholder representatives from NEDU
   2. Two nominees from the Kaumatua Group of Ngāi Tamarāwaho
   3. Two nominees from the Ngāi Tamarāwaho Tribal Trust; and
   4. An independent Chair appointed by Acorn.

(the “Scholarship Panel”).

1. It is expected that the scholarship will be used to defray course-related and living expenses.
2. The Scholarship Panel has the power to terminate or suspend a scholarship at any time if:
   1. It believes that the requirements in 2 and 3 above are no longer being met;
   2. It is not satisfied that the recipient is following the approved programme of study;
   3. The recipient through their actions, has brought the Acorn Foundation, the hapū or tertiary institute into disrepute.
3. The holder of the scholarship shall have the right to appeal to the Scholarship Panel against any decision to terminate the award.
4. The Scholarship Panel may refrain from making a recommendation if it finds no candidate of sufficient merit.
5. The Acorn Foundation has the power to amend or vary these regulations, provided that there is no departure from the stated main purpose of the scholarships. Subject to the capital supporting the scholarship remaining at a level at least equal to the Base Amount, the amount of the scholarship may be increased by the Acorn Foundation every five years, to approximately reflect inflation over that period (the amount shall be rounded to the nearest $500). The threshold number in clause 5 may be adjusted by the Acorn Foundation every five years to ensure that the main purpose of the scholarships is achieved.
6. The Scholarship may be held with any other bursary, scholarship or award.
7. Past winners of the scholarship can reapply in subsequent years, provided they continue to meet the scholarship criteria above.
8. The successful candidate must consent to use of their name, photo and details of the award being published in conjunction with media coverage, promotion or audit of the scholarship.

APPLICATION FOR NGAI TAMARAWAHO

PERI KOHU MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

**Applications close at 5:00pm on 31 October and should be emailed to jo@acornfoundation.org.nz**

**Please ensure that all questions are answered and that all the required attachments accompany this application form. You may jeopardise your chances of success if you do not complete your application properly.**

**YOUR PERSONAL DETAILS**

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| Full name: |  |
| Date of Birth: |  |
| Iwi affiliations (include all) |  |

**Address:**

Street number and name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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I have attended \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ College over the following years \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION DETAILS**

Please indicate the qualifications/course in which you are currently enrolled

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| Qualification/Courses: |  |
| University/Te Pukenga: |  |

Please advise if there is any course change that you may be planning for next year:

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Please indicate any other scholarships or awards received or applied for, this year and next year.

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| Applied for (indicate amount): |  |
| Received (including amount): |  |

**Attachments**

Please attach the following to your application form:

* A transcript of your **tertiary study** results to date.
* A **personal statement** summarising the contribution you have made to your hapu, why you believe you are a suitable candidate for this award, and any other relevant information that you believe the selection panel would find useful.
* A **character reference** (this might be from a lecturer, tutor, coach, employer, family friend etc. NOT from a direct family member eg parent/uncle/aunt).

**Conditions**

I understand that (please tick to acknowledge you accept each condition):

* If I am offered and accept the **Ngāi Tamarāwaho Peri Kohu Memorial Scholarship**, I will only be eligible to be awarded the prize if I commence full-time study in a tertiary course next year.
* If successful, I agree that the scholarship will be used to defray course-related or living expenses.
* If successful, I consent to my name and details of the award being published in conjunction with media coverage, promotion or audit of the scholarship.

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Signature of Applicant Date

In order for you to be considered for this scholarship, you must whakapapa to Ngai Tamarawaho hapu, and have an attestation from two kaumatua from the hapu confirming this.

**Attestations:**

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Privacy Declaration**

*The information requested in the attached application form will be used solely for the purpose of assessing your application for this award. Personal information contained in this application will be made available to members of the Selection Panel, and staff of the Acorn Foundation*.