Puke Ariki Trust Scholarship

Established in 2013, this scholarship supports the studies of a postgraduate student whose research relates to Taranaki’s social history. The scholarship is intended to encourage research that will enrich the extensive heritage collections within Puke Ariki and add to the body of knowledge relating specifically to Taranaki.

The scholarship is awarded annually, up to a maximum of $5000 and will support a student who is studying full time at a postgraduate level at a New Zealand university.

Applications are now invited for this scholarship.

The closing date for applications is 26 February 2016

The scholarships are provided by the Puke Ariki Trust.

Puke Ariki, the combined library/museum/visitor information centre in New Plymouth, administers the scholarship. Puke Ariki is a service of the New Plymouth District Council.
Regulations

1. The Scholarship is to be awarded to a student, up to a maximum of $5000, for study in the year the scholarship is awarded.

2. The Scholarship is usually to support studies of a student who is studying full-time at post graduate level; i.e. completing their PhD or Masters level studies.

3. The Scholarship is awarded to advance the study of the social history of the Taranaki region; including students of (but not exclusively) anthropology, archaeology, history, museum studies, art history and Māori studies.

4. The students shall have access to the resources of Puke Ariki for the duration of their field research. This will include access to information and collections held by Puke Ariki, along with specialist staff.

5. The research must have a significant component that relates to the Taranaki region and will encourage work that extends or contributes to the research and heritage collections of Puke Ariki.

6. Work that focuses on interpreting objects, items or archives from the heritage collections of Puke Ariki would have an advantage.

7. A copy of the thesis (and any related material generated via the research) will be made available to be part of the collection of the Taranaki Research Centre, Puke Ariki and potentially for use in displays or exhibitions managed by Puke Ariki. The thesis copy must be deposited in Puke Ariki within a calendar month of the degree being awarded.

8. In the first instance, applicants need to forward details of their research proposal and a CV (including details of their supervisors and a copy of their official academic record), to:

   Andrew Moffat
   Heritage Collections Lead / Pouarahi Tukuihotanga
   Puke Ariki
   Private Bag 2025
   New Plymouth

   By the closing date of 26th February 2016

   or email andrew.moffat@npdc.govt.nz or phone (06) 759 0860 with any queries regarding this scholarship.

9. Preference will be given to applicants with a strong academic record as well as to those applicants who submit a research proposal which will potentially add most value to the body of knowledge in the above disciplines in the Taranaki region.

10. Students are required to present their work to a public audience at Puke Ariki towards the end of their year of study.