ADVANCE ASHBURTON
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM
for
TERTIARY EDUCATION

Advance Ashburton Community Foundation proudly offers scholarships for the purpose of Tertiary Education and further education thanks to the generosity of many local people.

Enquiries always welcome

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ABOUT ADVANCE ASHBURTON COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Advance Ashburton Community Foundation is a registered Charitable Trust, established in 2003. The Foundation provides a trusted, effective, and simple way for individuals, families, clubs, and organisations to give long-lasting benefits to charitable causes within the Ashburton District.
Every donation Advance Ashburton receives is from the generosity of our donors who have the Ashburton District at heart. Donations are made either as a one-off, a regular payment through payroll giving, or from a gift in a will. Every donation the Foundation receives is invested, and the income generated is distributed to worthy, local causes that honour the wishes of the donor.

INFORMATION ON ALL AVAILABLE SCHOLARSHIPS

Advance Ashburton offers scholarships to individuals undertaking tertiary study, vocational training or other training or study to advance their education, knowledge, and experience. There are strict eligibility criteria for our different scholarships due to the wishes of our donors, whose generosity has made these scholarships possible.

The following **Scholarships for Tertiary Study** can be applied for using this form:

Advance Ashburton Community Foundation Scholarship (for any tertiary study)

This scholarship, for eligible persons undertaking tertiary education study, is funded by our generous donors who contribute to the General Fund.

Ashburton UFS Health Science Scholarship (for tertiary study in health science disciplines)

In 2008 trustees of the Ashburton United Friendly Society Dispensary established a special named fund with Advance Ashburton Community Foundation to provide scholarships for students who have been accepted into or are already studying in an approved health-related course in a tertiary institution.

Alister Smyth Scholarship (for any tertiary study)

Alister Smyth established a special named fund with Advance Ashburton Community Foundation in 2011 to provide scholarships for tertiary education study, with a preference for those who are financially or otherwise disadvantaged in terms of undertaking their study.

Johnston Brothers Health Science Scholarship (for education in any area connected with health)

In 2012 Alan and Bob Johnston established a special named fund with Advance Ashburton Community Foundation to provide scholarships for students who are undertaking further education in any area connected with health.

Tinwald Club Scholarship (for residents of the Tinwald area)

The Tinwald Club Fund will fund scholarships for those who live, or their parent(s) live, in the Tinwald area. (Note: For these purposes, the Tinwald area is defined as an arc with a 4 km radius with its center at the midpoint of the Ashburton River Road concrete structure bridge. The arc will be bounded in the North West by the southern bank of the South branch of the Ashburton River and swing south through South east to the south bank of the Ashburton River.)

Parsons Family Scholarship (for study in agriculture, horticulture, or aquaculture)

The Parsons Family established a special named fund with Advance Ashburton Community Foundation in 2014 to provide scholarships in the fields of agricultural, horticulture or aquaculture.

Ian Glassey Memorial Scholarship (for environmental studies)

The Ian Glassey Memorial Fund was established in 2015 and funds a scholarship for those who will contribute to the enhancement of the environment through undertaking environmental study.

Glass Family Scholarship (for newcomers to undertake tertiary study, particularly in agriculture)

Evan and Heather Glass established a special named fund in 2017 to provide needs-based scholarships for newcomers to the Ashburton District who are unlikely to receive financial assistance to enable them to complete study in agriculture.

Cameron Family Scholarship (for study in agriculture, horticulture, or medicine)

Brian and Norma Cameron established a special named fund in 2018 to fund a scholarship for those who are studying in the fields of agriculture, horticulture, or medicine.

Ashburton Hearing Association Scholarship (for study associated with hearing impairment)

The Ashburton Hearing Association established a fund with Advance Ashburton in 2019 to support scholarships to study audiology, scholarships for hearing-impaired persons who are studying, and assisting with the training and development of teachers to learn and use sign language.

Graham Gunn Music Scholarship

Graham Gunn established a special named fund in 2020 to fund a scholarship for those who are studying in the field of music.

Kate Syme Scholarship (for any tertiary study)

Kate Syme established a special named fund with Advance Ashburton in 2022 for a current or former student of Ashburton College to pursue tertiary study, with a considered focus to support Māori and Pasifika students.

Colin & Alison Crampton Music & Arts Scholarship

Just prior to his death in 2022, Colin Crampton established a special named fund with Advance Ashburton in memory of his wife, Alison, who was a prominent musician in the Ashburton District. This scholarship is for those studying in the field of music and arts.

Dennis & Barbara Taylor Nursing Scholarship

Dennis & Barbara Taylor set up this scholarship in 2022 to support nursing students from the Ashburton District in their second year of study or above.

Frank Crampton Agricultural Scholarship

Jenny Crampton set up this scholarship in 2022 in memory of Frank to support students studying agriculture.

EA Networks Scholarship

For students in their second or subsequent years of study in electrical engineering, information technology, systems management, human resources, accounting, communications, or safety management.

Longfield Scholarship

For any type of tertiary study, for students in their second or subsequent years of study.

van der Kley Scholarship

For any type of tertiary study with a considered focus to support Pasifika youth.

We also offer scholarships for:

Personal Development (for attending Outward Bound, Spirit of Adventure, and other personal development courses)
Industry Training (for those undertaking industry training and national qualifications)

These scholarships are to be applied for on the appropriate application forms which can be obtained from our website, www.advanceashburton.org.nz, or at the Advance Ashburton office located at Somerset House, Level 2, 161 Burnett Street, Ashburton. Please contact us if you have any questions – ph 307 5902.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- The closing date for scholarship applications is **31st October 2026.**
- If shortlisted, applicants must be available for an interview (either in person or via Zoom) during the period of **16th November - 27th November 2026.**
- Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application by **18th December 2026**.
- You will be presented your award at the Advance Ashburton Scholarship Ceremony, which is to be held in Ashburton on **27th January 2027.**
- Recipients shall complete a written report to Advance Ashburton Community Foundation **within 3 months** of completing the course outlining the benefits gained from attending the course.

VALUE AND PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIPS

- The value of the scholarship will be determined each year by the AACF Grants Committee. It may differ from year to year and may also differ between applicants.
- The scholarships may be used towards living and incidental expenses.
- Recipients of the scholarship are not excluded from applying again; however, preference may be given to first time applicants.
- The scholarship may be paid to the university or place of learning, to the parent or guardian of the recipient or to the recipient at the discretion of Advance Ashburton Community Foundation.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- All applications received prior to the closing date will be reviewed.
- Applicants who are shortlisted through this initial review process will be required to attend an interview before representatives of Advance Ashburton.
- A scholarship may be revoked if a recipient's behaviour is deemed to be inappropriate to bring themselves or AACF into disrepute (e.g., inappropriate behaviour on social media, criminal activity), or the recipient has breached conditions of the scholarship.
- Confirmation of enrolment must be provided before payment.
- Recipients shall be responsible for providing any gear and equipment required for the course that is not supplied by the course provider.
- Recipients must complete enrolment documentation in sufficient time frames as required by the course provider.
- Details of the course to be attended must be provided upon application.
- Applications are only considered once a year. For more details visit www.advanceashburton.org.nz
- It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that they are eligible for their chosen course and have no health or personal issues that may prevent them from attending this course.
- Recipients may be asked by the Foundation to participate in promotional activities as agreed by both parties.
- First-year students are welcome to apply for scholarships. However, applications that provide evidence of successful results from their chosen field of study will be preferred in some cases.

Please check the eligibility criteria in Section 2 below.

- Immediate family of Trustees, co-opted members, committee members and staff of AACF are not eligible to apply for these scholarships.
- Applications will not normally be considered if the applicant has received more than two scholarships previously.

Section 1: APPLICANT DETAILS

Full Name	

Preferred Name	

Date of Birth		Ethnicity (including Iwi affiliation/s where appropriate)	

Address	

Telephone		Mobile	

Email	

What is your current occupation?	

Section 2: ELIGIBILITY

Applicants will be awarded scholarships at the discretion of the Foundation. However, some scholarships have specific eligibility criteria based on the wishes of our donors. Please complete this section to confirm your eligibility for these scholarships. Please tick all criteria that apply to you.

First-year students are welcome to apply but, in most cases, preference will be given to students in their second or subsequent year of study.

All Scholarships

◯ I, or my parent(s), reside in the Ashburton District
◯ I am a New Zealand Citizen or a New Zealand Resident

Year of Study (in 2027)

◯ First ◯ Second ◯ Third ◯ Fourth ◯ Other_____

Please tick any of the following which apply to your application

◯ I am hearing-impaired
◯ I am a newcomer to the Ashburton District
◯ I, or my parents, reside in the Tinwald area
◯ I require financial assistance to complete my studies due to serious financial hardship or other disadvantage

Section 3: EDUCATION SUMMARY

Please provide details of your completed education to date.

Education Summary	School / Institution	Course details, certificates and qualifications achieved	Started	Finished
Tertiary				
Secondary				
Other				

Please provide details of the tertiary course for which you are applying for this scholarship.

Name of tertiary institution that you attend / have been accepted for	
Name of course/qualification that you will be studying towards	
Total number of years of study you have planned for this qualification	
Date that you started/will start this course	

- Please send us a copy of your most recent academic results when you submit your scholarship application form.

I have applied for / received the following bursaries, awards, or grants in the last two years:

What fees are required for your course and how do you intend to pay for these?

Section 4: PERSONAL ACTIVITIES & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

List any employment you currently have or have had (include where you work/ed, your role, and how long you have worked there e.g. holidays, after school, etc.):

List any interests/hobbies/sports you currently participate in, or have participated in:

List any community service or volunteering that you currently undertake or have undertaken:

List any leadership and representative roles during the past five years:

Section 5: GOALS / ASPIRATIONS

Where do you see yourself on completion of your course?

What are your long-term goals and ambitions in your career?

What would receiving this scholarship mean to you?

Do you have any other information about yourself that you think would be helpful for us to know?

Section 6: REFEREE DETAILS

Please provide details of two referees. At least one of these referees must live in the Ashburton District.

Referee 1:

Name		Address	

Phone		Relationship to Applicant		Years Known	

Referee 2:

Name		Address	

Phone		Relationship to Applicant		Years Known	

Section 7: GENERAL INFORMATION

How did you find out about the Scholarship? (Please tick **ALL** that apply)

Ashburton Guardian ◯	Ashburton Courier ◯	Rural Newsletter ◯	E-mail ◯
Facebook ◯	Instagram ◯	LinkedIn ◯	Poster ◯
Radio ◯	Employer ◯	School ◯	University ◯

Other ◯ (Please specify) ……..

Section 8: CHECKLIST	

I have completed all relevant sections of the application form ◯
I have contacted my referees and they are aware of this application ◯
I have attached a copy of my most recent academic results with this application ◯
I have attached a Bank verified copy of my bank account details (account number and name) ◯

Section 8: DECLARATION AND PRIVACY ACT 1993 AUTHORISATION

This authorisation relates to information in this application that Advance Ashburton Community Foundation ("Advance Ashburton") may hold about me now or in the future.

- I have indicated the eligibility criteria I meet as outlined in Section 2 of this application.
- I give permission to Advance Ashburton to make independent confidential enquiries relating to my application.
- I understand that if I am awarded a Scholarship this does not constitute acceptance into my chosen course and I accept that I am responsible for and must meet the requirements as deemed necessary by the course provider for acceptance and attendance on a course.
- If successful I authorise Advance Ashburton to use my name/photograph for publicity purposes, including on their website and social media, and also to participate in promotional work as may be reasonably required by Advance Ashburton, free of charge.
- If successful I agree to provide Advance Ashburton with a written report within 3 months of completing the course.
- If successful I agree to advise Advance Ashburton if I am unable to complete the course within 12 months of receiving the scholarship, withdraw from undertaking my chosen course, or I/my parents no longer reside in the Ashburton District. I understand that under any of these circumstances I may be asked to repay the value of the scholarship.
- If successful I agree to act as a role model at all times and I will not involve myself with anything that could bring myself or Advance Ashburton into disrepute. (e.g. social media, criminal activity).
- I will disclose to Advance Ashburton if I have in the past made a mistake that could be construed as bringing disrepute to my reputation.
- I accept that the decision of Advance Ashburton is final, and no correspondence or communication will be entered into.
- I declare that the information contained in this application is true and factual.

Full Name of Applicant	

Signature		Date	

Completed application forms can be submitted via email, post or hand delivered to:

Email grants@advanceashburton.org.nz
Post Advance Ashburton Community Foundation, PO Box 310, Ashburton 7740
Deliver Advance Ashburton Community Foundation, Level 2, Somerset House, 161 Burnett Street, Ashburton 7700