

Information & Application Form

Freemasons Willson Lewis Scholarships

The Manawatū Kilwinning Lodge No. 47, in conjunction with The Freemasons Charity, Master Builders Manawatu Branch, and UCOL Te Pūkenga are pleased to offer scholarships for study in Industry trades.

The aim of the scholarship is to assist those aspiring to advance or broaden their career and become involved in the wider trades industry in the Manawatū and Whanganui regions.

The successful applicants will receive a scholarship from the Freemasons Willson Lewis Trust of up to 50% of each paper fee. Applicants can apply for whole qualifications or for individual papers. There may be an opportunity for previous study and experience to be recognised against programme requirements, reducing the amount of time required to complete your study. Preference will be given to applicants who are Registered Master Builders (NZ) or in the employment of NZ Registered Master Builder however applications are invited from all those who meet the Applicant Criteria. The number and amount of scholarships awarded will be determined by the scholarship panel. Scholarships may be awarded to applicants who are already in full-time study and not currently in full-time employment.

The eligible qualifications are below. A full list of papers per qualification is available on request.

- **New Zealand Certificate in Construction Trades Supervision** - 1 year full-time / 2 years part-time. Learn soft skills for people and project management in a Trades setting. Delivered via in-work assessment, on-campus night courses and online delivery. Applicable to all Trades.
- **New Zealand Diploma in Business** - 1 year full-time / 2 years part-time. Applicable to all Trades.
- **New Zealand Diploma in Construction (with strands in Construction Management and Quantity Surveying)** - 2 years fulltime / 4 years part-time. Applicable to Construction Trades.
- **New Zealand Diploma in Architectural Technology** - 2 years full-time / 4 years part-time. Applicable to Construction Trades.

These qualifications can be studied either full-time (8 papers per year) or part-time (1-4 papers per year), enabling the applicant to continue full-time employment. Qualifications can also be studied paper by paper, allowing for more flexibility. Successful applicants will need to show continuous engagement over a period of up to 5 years of studying. Applicants who are not engaged may have their scholarship withdrawn.

Applicant Criteria:

- Work and /or study and / or live in the district covered by the Manawatū Branch and Whanganui Branch of Registered Master Builders New Zealand.
- Have completed at least half of an apprenticeship within the trades industry by 31 December 2025.
- Show continuous engagement over a period of up to 5 years of studying. Applicants who are not engaged may have their scholarship withdrawn.
- Be a New Zealand citizen or hold permanent New Zealand residency;
- Demonstrate a will to succeed in the trades;
- Have leadership skills; and
- Have proven community commitment.

Applications close 24 October 2025 and must be made on this Freemasons Willson Lewis Scholarship application form.

As part of the application process, applicants will be required to attend a 30 minute interview in late October 2025. The successful applicants will be announced at an event held at UCOL in November.

For further details and additional copies of the application email ScholarshipPN@ucol.ac.nz

All references to UCOL in this document should be read as references to Te Pūkenga – New Zealand Institute of Skills and Technology, trading as UCOL. (Version September 2024)



Applicant Information

Surname:

First Names:

Date of Birth:

Home Address: POSTCODE

Postal Address: POSTCODE
(if different from above)

Phone:

Email:

Are you a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident? Yes No

Employer Information

Present Employer:

Contact Person:

Address: POSTCODE

Phone:

Email:

Apprenticeship

Trade Qualification:

Date awarded/
percentage completed:

Employer:

Training Coordinator:

Phone:

Email:

Education

High School:

Address: POSTCODE

NCEA or Equivalent: From: To:

Proposed Study Details

Proposed programme of study:

Proposed completion date:

Please complete a statement outlining your future career plans:

Personal Profile

Please complete a brief personal profile, including interests, involvement in sports and hobbies:

EMPLOYMENT PROFILE

Please complete a background statement on work history and community involvement:

Community Involvement Profile

Please give details of how you make a difference in your community:

Employers Supporting Statement

Please ask your current employer to complete a supporting statement for your application:

Signature:

Date: DAY MONTH YEAR

Declaration

I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge and agree to the terms of the scholarship:

1. The scholarship will be applied directly to the student's study fees.
2. Successful applicants must show continuous engagement over a period of up to 5 years of studying. Applicants who are not engaged may have their scholarship withdrawn.
3. If the applicant is deemed to be non-engaged, in line with UCOL's Student Re-Engagement and Non-Engagement Procedure, the Scholarship Panel has the right to revoke your scholarship.
4. If the student is required to repeat a paper, this will be at the student's own expense.
5. The Trust has the right to use names, photographs and details of the successful candidate for promotional purposes relating to Freemasonry, Master Builders, Master Painters and UCOL.
6. I understand that the decision of the selection panel is final and I am not entitled to receive reasons for the decision nor am I entitled to appeal.
7. The selection panel may, at its sole discretion, refuse to award any scholarship if in its opinion there are no applicants of sufficient merit to warrant the award.
8. All funding and its allocation is offered at the discretion of the selection panel.

Full Name (Please Print):

Signature:

Date: DAY MONTH YEAR

Applications close on 24 October 2025

Submit completed applications to:

ScholarshipPN@ucol.ac.nz

or

c/o Scholarship Administrator
Private Bag 11022
Palmerston North 4442

