

# New Horizons for Women Hine Kahukura

## Association of Women in the Sciences STEM Award 2021

<b>Award</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$9000 total, for 1 or 2 awards (to be determined by assessment panel)</li><li>• Membership to AWIS (Association for Women in the Sciences) for the remainder of the study programme.</li></ul>
<b>Open</b>	1 March to 15 April 2021
<b>Awards advised</b>	Mid-June
<b>Awards made</b>	July to early August

### Purpose of the award

The Association for Women in the Sciences (AWIS) STEM Award is for women who are enrolled in a \*STEM-related programme of study, and who have completed at least one year of a New Zealand tertiary qualification at an undergraduate degree level (NZQA level 7), OR are studying at a postgraduate level. The award may be given as one award or split into two (maximum) awards at the discretion of the NHWT:HK Specific Purpose Awards panel. The awards are a one-off grant to help with study and/or living expenses during study.

*\*A STEM programme of study would be either in a Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics-related field.*

### Eligibility criteria

To apply for this Specific Purpose Award you must meet all the following eligibility criteria:

The applicant is a woman, who:

- Is enrolled in a NZ approved tertiary qualification
- Is studying at a degree level or higher (NZQA Level 7 or more)
- Is studying one or more STEM-related subjects
- Has completed at least one year of study in a STEM-related field
- Is a New Zealand citizen or holds a resident class visa, and lives in New Zealand
- Has not previously received a NHWT: HK Award at the proposed level of study

### Selection criteria

When selecting awardees, the selection panel will consider the following:

- Academic achievements and career plans
- Financial circumstances
- Personal circumstances
- Experience

NOTE:

Weighting will be given to those studying in a STEM-related field of study, where women are currently under-represented. Weighting will be given to applicants whose social identity is under-represented in their field of study.

### How to apply for an award

If you are eligible for this award, please complete the online application form between 1 March and 15 April.

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Applicants must apply online using the online application form. (Do not use this document to apply). If you are uploading documents, file size is limited to 20mb. Please keep a copy of your answers, in case you need to re-enter them for any reason.

When you apply online, you will need to answer the following questions:

<b>Contact details</b>	<p>Name of applicant <i>First name + last name</i></p> <p>Postal address <i>Street - Suburb - City - Region - Postcode</i></p> <p>Email-<i>please provide a <b>personal email address</b> rather than an institutional one</i></p> <p>Preferred phone</p> <p>Which ethnic group(s) do you belong to?</p> <p>Date of birth</p>
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<b>Academic achievements/ career plans</b>	What STEM-related programme are you studying this year? e.g. Bachelor of Engineering Studies
	What NZQA level is this qualification? e.g. Level 7
	What is the name of the institution you are studying at?
	Upload a document from your institution confirming you are enrolled in this programme for 2021.
	The document must include the institution's letterhead, state the programme you are enrolled in, the NZQA level, be dated and signed by an official from your institution.
	<b>We do not accept a 'letter of offer' or a 'fees invoice'</b>
	Upload a document which lists all the results you have achieved to date for the qualification you are studying this year e.g. this may be an academic transcript or screen shot of your results, with your name clearly visible.
	If you have completed any tertiary programme prior to enrolling in the programme you are studying this year, please list the year you completed the qualification, the name of the qualification and the institution.
What do you plan to do when you have completed the programme you are studying this year? e.g. work, do further study	

<b>Financial circumstances</b>	Explain your financial situation and need for the award. Include how you plan to cover your living and study costs this year? e.g., student loan, student allowance, employment, support from partner/family, other scholarships/grants.
	If successful with this award application, how do you intend to use the money?

<b>Other funding</b>	Have you previously received a NHWT:HK award? If so, what was it and which year?
	Are you applying for a different NHWT:HK award this year? If so, which award/s:
	Have you received any other funding for this project? If, so please provide more information:

<b>Personal circumstances</b>	Describe any personal circumstances that you would like the selection panel to consider as part of your application. These could include your living situation, number and ages of children, any health/disability/ or other personal challenges over time.
	Comment on the personal significance of your current programme of study, both in relation to potentially increasing the visibility of women and /or women of diverse cultural backgrounds (if relevant) in STEM-related professions, AND being a role model for your family and the wider community.

<b>Experience</b>	List significant employment or community roles you have held and the year(s) you held these roles.
	Provide the name and contact details of someone who would be a referee for you, i.e. someone who could validate the non-academic aspects of your application (not a friend or family member).

<b>Other</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicate (v) if you would like to receive our electronic newsletter
	Indicate (v) how you heard about the NHWT:HK awards <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Awards / scholarship database</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Institution where you are studying</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Personal contact</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> NHWT:HK newsletter/media article</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> NHWT:HK website/social media</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)</li> </ul>

## Terms & conditions 2021

### The following terms and conditions apply:

- Applicants must apply online using the online application form
- Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.
- The selection panel's decision is final.
- Applicants must submit an application to be considered for the award.
- Applicants may apply for more than one kind of award, but only one award will be given to any one applicant.

NHWT:HK reserves the right to not offer an award.

### If you receive an award we require you to do the following:

- Comply with the conditions of this Award.
- Undertake the programme of study or activity for which the award was granted.
- Allow NHWT:HK and the award sponsor to use your name, photograph and information about you (and if relevant, other members of your group) for publicity purposes. If you require confidentiality for personal reasons, please email NHWT:HK.
- Receive the award at a NHWT:HK awards ceremony in July-August (unless the event is cancelled for any reason).
- Provide a progress report to NHWT:HK in the year you receive the award.
- For research awardees, provide a progress report to NHWT:HK each year of your study, plus provide access to your final research report and any subsequent publications.
- Provide NHWT:HK with up-to-date contact details while you are studying or undertaking your research/carrying out your project.
- To immediately notify the New Horizons for Women Trust: Hine Kahukura of any change in your enrolment, employment, or other circumstances of relevance, that affect your ability to meet the Award criteria, e.g. change of programme of study, employment or illness.

### Failure to comply

In the event it can be established that you are not complying with these conditions and requirements, NHWT:HK may terminate the Award and require you to fully or partially repay the Award money.

### Please note:

- NHWT:HK records all applicant contact details to enable communications about future awards.
- For unsuccessful applicants, the other information in the application is deleted from our system after the awards have been decided for the year. We can't discuss the reasons for the decisions made by the selection panel.
- We store the application and progress reports of successful applicants for 5 years.

### Declaration:

- By submitting this application, I acknowledge I have read and accept the terms and conditions as stated above.
- By submitting this application, I verify I meet the eligibility criteria for this award and that all information in this application is correct.

## About the AWIS STEM Award

The Association of Women in the Sciences (AWIS) is a national organisation encouraging women to use and develop their scientific abilities and to achieve their full potential. In 2018, AWIS introduced a financial award to support women studying STEM subjects (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics).

Managed by the New Horizons for Women Trust: Hine Kahukura, the \$9,000 award will support up to two women annually enrolled in a tertiary STEM qualification. The award includes membership to AWIS for a year. The award is particularly aimed at women whose social identity is under-represented in their field of study.

The funds for the awards are raised each year by AWIS through different fundraising events.

For more information about AWIS go to <http://www.awis.org.nz/>.