

# information sheet

## NFD Scholarships

The NFD offers a number of educational scholarships to deaf/hearing impaired students, who are NZ citizens and permanent residents, and to those working with deaf and hearing impaired people.

**For application forms for any of the scholarships please contact the NFD.**

More information about the NFD scholarships and application forms are available on the NFD website [www.nfd.org.nz](http://www.nfd.org.nz)

### Deaf Educational Scholarship

**Purpose:** to assist deaf New Zealanders study at tertiary level

**Amount:** approximately \$6000 is available each year to be awarded to a number of applicants

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- hearing loss of 60dB or more in better ear
- NZ citizens or permanent residents
- attending a recognised post secondary institution

**Scholarship covers:** fees, books, interpreters, notetakers, extra teaching, other course expenses

**Closing Date:** 31 March

**How to apply:** contact the NFD for an application form (contact details above) or download a form from [www.nfd.org.nz](http://www.nfd.org.nz)

### NFD Training & Development Scholarship

**Purpose:** to assist people training or professional development that will be beneficial to deaf and hearing impaired people. A portion of the scholarship income will be used to support interpreter training in New Zealand

**Amount:** approximately \$14,000 - \$15,000 is available each year to be awarded to a number of candidates

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- any individual (deaf, hearing impaired or hearing), or group who is working for the benefit of deaf or hearing impaired people is eligible
- individuals must be NZ citizens or permanent residents and groups must be based in NZ.

**Scholarship covers:** participation in a course at a local or overseas venue, gathering resources for educational and/or social purposes, attending conferences

**Reporting requirements:** scholarship winners must acknowledge receipt of their scholarship and report on the training /conference etc once completed

**Closing Date:** 31 March

**How to apply:** contact the NFD for an application form (contact details above) or download a form from [www.nfd.org.nz](http://www.nfd.org.nz)

**NB** There is a separate application form for interpreter training.

## Quest for Excellence

**Purpose:** to assist post graduate students whose hearing impairment affects their ability to communicate and who, as a result, have had to overcome great odds. Its principal purpose is the pursuit of excellence.

**Amount:** one scholarship of \$15,000 is awarded annually

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- moderate or greater hearing disability which affects the ability to communicate
  - NZ citizenship or permanent residency
  - undertaking or intending to undertake postgraduate studies at a university either in NZ or overseas
- Candidates may be self-nominated or nominated by one of their peers.

**Scholarship covers:** fees, equipment, accommodation and anything else deemed appropriate by the administrator

**Closing Date:** 30 September

**How to apply:** application forms available from NFD (contact details on first page) [www.nfd.org.nz](http://www.nfd.org.nz) and go to the Quest for Excellence link for more information about the scholarship, and past winners.

## Alan Cuthbert Noonan Bequest

**Purpose:** to benefit deaf and hearing impaired children in the province of Canterbury. Both individuals and groups can apply for funding from this bequest.

**Amount:** Approximately \$15,000 is available each year to be awarded to a number of applicants.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- Children must be either deaf or eligible to wear a hearing aid. Proof of hearing loss is required.
- Applicants must be residents in Canterbury for more than 12 months and not older than 21 years.
- Canterbury is inclusive of South Canterbury, Canterbury and North Canterbury and is defined as the area north of the Waitaki River, south of the Conway river and east of the Southern Alps
- Groups and organisations applying must submit a proposed budget including costing, and if for social outing a programme or agenda.

**Scholarship covers:** preference will be given to requests for educational, health, employment, social and recreational purposes, service provision and equipment. However other requests will be considered.

**Closing Date:** 20<sup>th</sup> May

**How to apply:** application forms available from NFD (contact details on first page) or download an application from from [www.nfd.org.nz](http://www.nfd.org.nz)