

NPM PhD Doctoral Scholarship FAQs

1. *Who can apply for the NPM PhD Doctoral Scholarship?*

You can apply if you are a Māori PhD student enrolled at an NPM partner institution, your research aligns with the NPM Matakiteanga Research Framework, you do not hold another New Zealand University-named doctoral scholarship, with submission of thesis expected by 30 September 2028.

2. *Where can I find information about Te Matakiteanga Research Framework?*

You can find that information on the NPM website at [Matakiteanga Research Framework | Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga](#). Also, the information that precedes the application form can answer some of your questions.

3. *Can I hold this scholarship with other scholarships?*

Important change: You can no longer hold this scholarship alongside any other named doctoral scholarships from New Zealand universities (e.g., University of Auckland Doctoral Scholarship). If you already have one of these scholarships, you must finish it before applying for the NPM scholarship. NPM may vary the conditions, regulations, granting and tenure of their scholarship at their discretion.

4. *How much funding will I receive, and what does it cover?*

The scholarship provides:

- A stipend of \$36,050 per year for up to two years of full-time study (part-time students will receive a pro-rata amount).
- A complimentary registration for the biennial International Indigenous Research Conference and NPM professional excellence activities.

5. *Is there additional funding for professional development?*

Yes, you can apply for up to \$9,785 per year to support professional development activities such as workshops, conferences, and research-related travel. If you don't have other funding for your course fees, this can also help cover those costs.

6. *Will I receive funding for my PhD course fees?*

The scholarship doesn't cover course fees directly. However, if you don't have other funding for fees, you can use the professional development grant to help with these costs.

7. *Will Ngā Pae o te Māramatanga be involved in the research or intellectual property (IP)?*

NPM does not own your research or intellectual property. The rights are between you and your institution. Just make sure to acknowledge NPM's support in your research presentations and publications.

8. *Who do I contact if I have questions?*

You can contact the Pou Whakaaweawe and leave your query on the NPM Research email address research@maramatanga.ac.nz.

The Pou Whakaaweawe can offer some guidance, but it's best to seek help and support from your supervisor. Keep in mind that this is a competitive process, and while NPM is eager to support you in submitting applications, we are a small team and often receive a high volume of requests.

9. *What do I do if I have problems with the portal?*

Please get in contact with the Pou Whakaaweawe using the research@maramatanga.ac.nz email address.