

# Arthritis NZ Mateponapona Aotearoa Summer Scholarships 2025/2026



Arthritis NZ Mateponapona Aotearoa aims to improve the life of every person affected by arthritis. We are a national charity that provides information, advice and support to people diagnosed with any of the more than 140 forms of arthritis. In addition to advocating for people with arthritis through engaging with them and listening to their experiences, Arthritis NZ funds research, contributes to health policy and collaborates with healthcare professionals.

The purpose of the Arthritis NZ Summer Scholarships programme is to support students who are undertaking arthritis-related research whilst being supervised by an experienced research professional working in academia, health service provision and other types of institutional organisations.

Our current Summer Scholarships round opens on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025** and all applications are due **by 5pm on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2025**.

**We are also delighted to announce the value of our Summer Scholarships has increased to \$7,000 this year. Up to six awards will again be available.**

**Other key details to note are as follows:**

- All projects must be clearly related to arthritis with the precise topic to be determined by supervisors who must prepare a submission using the Arthritis NZ application form (maximum 5 pages).
- There is an Information and Conditions Form to help you prepare your application.
- All applicants must include a copy of their CV using the New Zealand RS&T standard Curriculum Vitae template (please use the template provided with a 5-page maximum).
- All applications must be submitted to our [research@arthritis.org.nz](mailto:research@arthritis.org.nz) email address.
- All applicants will be informed via email of the outcome of the Summer Scholarships review process by the end of September 2025.
- **New element in 2025/2026 round:** All applicants will be asked to also indicate what kind of broader impact their project could potentially have on New Zealand communities and society in terms of health, social, economic, cultural and/or environmental benefits and how they intend to make their findings more accessible to consumers and other relevant stakeholders.

**Please direct any questions you may have about this funding opportunity to:**

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