

DNKBA SCHOLARSHIPS



The Designers of NKBA (DNKBA) award up to four scholarships per year to New Zealand Diploma in Kitchen Design students who demonstrate a high level of industry potential. Recipients receive financial and mentoring support for the duration of their studies.

2024 Applications are open 1 February to 2 April - Apply now!











Scholarship Details

Scholarships are valued at \$5,500 (including GST, if applicable) and can be used towards:

- BCITO course fees to a maximum value of \$5,000 (including GST, if applicable)
- travel/accommodation expenses to attend the DNKBA Scholarship Recipients and Sponsors Day in Auckland on 12 June 2024
- ticket and travel/accommodation expenses to attend the 2024 NKBA Conference in Christchurch on 4 and 5 July 2024
- travel/accommodation expenses to attend New Zealand Diploma in Kitchen Design block courses.

DNKBA and the Scholarship Sponsors also offer mentoring opportunities (in person and/or online) throughout the scholarship term.

Applications

2024 Scholarships are open to Applicants who:

- are enrolled in the New Zealand Diploma of Kitchen Design via BCITO;
- attend Block Course One (OJT1) between 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024; and
- have worked as a kitchen industry professional for a minimum of 6 months in a design capacity.

To apply, complete the <u>online application form</u>. You need to include the following information to support your application:

- your CV
- · contact details for an industry referee
- summaries of why you have applied for a scholarship, why you have chosen a career in kitchen/bathroom design, your long-term goals, and why you should be awarded the scholarship
- examples of your design work, including plans/elevations and before and after photographs (if available)
- any relevant design qualifications/achievements.

All applications must be fully submitted by 2 April 2024.

Selection Process

- NKBA will acknowledge receipt of applications within 3 working days.
- The DNKBA Advisory Group will review applications after the closing date and select Recipients based on the quality of their application and their industry potential.
- Successful Recipients will be notified by 1 May 2024.
- Recipients will be announced by NKBA in May 2024.
- Recipients will receive a DNKBA Scholarship Certificate at the NKBA Student Awards event at the NKBA Conference in July 2024.

For more information on DNKBA Scholarships, email education@nkba.org.nz

Terms and Conditions

DNKBA offers up to four scholarships to New Zealand Diploma in Kitchen Design students, subject to these Terms and Conditions ("Terms").

Conditions of Entry

- By submitting a scholarship application, Applicants agree to be bound by all these Terms.
- NKBA is under no obligation to select a scholarship Recipient and may elect to reject all applications.
- If an application contains a defect or fails in some way to comply with the eligibility criteria set out in these Terms, NKBA may
 (in its sole discretion) waive the defect and accept the application.

Eligibility Criteria

At the time of a DNKBA scholarship application, the Applicant must:

- be enrolled in the New Zealand Diploma of Kitchen Design via BCITO;
- have attended or will have attended a Block Course One (OJT1) between 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024;
- have approval from their employer to apply for a scholarship and to attend both the DNKBA Scholarship Recipients and Sponsors Day and the NKBA Conference (unless the applicant is self-employed); and
- have worked as a kitchen industry professional for a minimum of 6 months in a design capacity.

Selection Process

- NKBA may contact the Applicant's employer and/or BCITO Training Advisor for more details during the selection process.
- Applicants may be asked to provide further information and/or attend an interview with the DNKBA Advisory Group (in person
 or online) as part of the selection process.
- The decisions of the DNKBA Advisory Group are final and are made at the sole and absolute discretion of the DNKBA.
- NKBA has the absolute discretion to:
 - o Admit/exclude/remove applications from being considered for the scholarship;
 - o Require an Applicant to modify their application;
 - o Change the scholarship amount without further notice; or
 - Terminate a scholarship if the Recipient is found to be in breach of these Terms, or for any other grounds of termination specified in these Terms.

Scholarship Term

- The scholarship term is for 2 years (24 months) from 1 May 2024 and any unused scholarship funds will expire at the end of
- If a Recipient withdraws from the New Zealand Diploma of Kitchen Design during the scholarship term or does not complete
 the qualification within the scholarship term, then the scholarship may be terminated and the Recipient may be required to
 reimburse NKBA for any used scholarship funds.
- Scholarship deferral requests must be made in writing to NKBA. Deferral requests will only be granted in cases where there are compelling medical reasons or adverse personal circumstances beyond a Recipient's control.

Use of Scholarship Funds

Scholarships are valued at NZD \$5,500 (inclusive of GST, if applicable) and funds can be used towards:

- BCITO fees for the New Zealand Diploma in Kitchen Design up to \$5,000 (inclusive of GST, if applicable), including start up fees, block course fees, and annual/industry contribution fees.
- travel/accommodation expenses (if required) to attend the DNKBA Scholarship Recipients and Sponsors Day in Auckland on 12 June 2024.
- ticket and travel/accommodation expenses (if required) to attend the 2024 NKBA Conference in Christchurch on 4-5 July 2024.
- travel/accommodation expenses (if required) to attend New Zealand Diploma in Kitchen Design block courses.
- events, courses, or items which further educate or help the Recipient with their career progression. Use of funds in such cases must be applied for in writing to NKBA and approved by the DNKBA Advisory Group.
- If a Recipient completes their first New Zealand Diploma of Kitchen Design block course (OJT1) in the 6 months before the start
 of the scholarship term, they may be entitled to use their scholarship funds to reimburse courses fees and
 travel/accommodation expenses (with proof of payment).

Scholarship Recipients are expected to:

- attend the DNKBA Scholarship Recipients and Sponsors Day in Auckland and the NKBA Conference in Christchurch on the dates noted above (and obtain permission from their employer to attend these events prior to applying for the scholarship).
- communicate regularly with their Scholarship Sponsor.
- complete the New Zealand Diploma of Kitchen Design within 24 months of attending Block Course 1 (OJT1).
- email DNKBA Scholarship Claim Forms and invoices/receipts to education@nkba.org.nz to access funds.
 Payments/reimbursements will be made by NKBA within 20 working days after receipt of all required documentation and information.
- maintain regular communication with DNKBA and NKBA regarding their academic progress throughout the term of the scholarship.
- inform NKBA of any changes to their BCITO enrolment or employment status.
- provide a recent photograph (professional standard) for use by NKBA for the purposes of the scholarship and for promotional purposes.

Termination of the scholarship

NKBA may terminate the scholarship by notice in writing to the Recipient if the Recipient:

- Breaches any of these Terms;
- Fails to maintain satisfactory progress with the completion of the New Zealand Diploma of Kitchen Design, or fails to complete
 the diploma;
- Makes a material misrepresentation or non-disclosure in their application; or
- Fails to maintain satisfactory good standing and appropriate behaviour and NKBA considers (in the sole discretion of the DNKBA Advisory Board) that the Recipient has engaged in behaviour which may reflect adversely on the reputation of NKBA.

If NKBA terminates the Recipient's scholarship for any reason, the Recipient must repay upon demand all scholarship funds received, or such lesser amount as NKBA may require.

Privacy Statement

By submitting the scholarship application, the Recipient agrees to NKBA providing their contact details to the DNKBA Advisory Group and their Scholarship Sponsor. All contact details provided may be used from time to time by NKBA relating to the scholarship and for promotional purposes.

All other personal information will be kept confidential and used solely by NKBA for the purposes of the scholarship and promotional purposes. Applicants can request access to and correction their details at any time.

Photographs/media/information supplied by the Applicant

Photographs, media, information, and any other materials provided by Recipients as part of their scholarship application may be used in promotional material by NKBA, Scholarship Sponsors, and/or BCITO. Applicants will be acknowledged wherever possible.

Definitions

In these Terms and Conditions:

"Applicant" means the person applying for one of the DNKBA scholarships.

"BCITO" means Building and Construction Industry Training Organisation.

"DNKBA" means the Designers of NKBA.

"NKBA" means National Kitchen and Bathroom Association (N.Z) Incorporated.

"Recipient" means the recipient of a DNKBA scholarship.

"Scholarship Sponsor" means the organisation or entity that has funded the Recipient's scholarship.