



Office of Early Childhood Education

Te Tari Mātauranga Kōhungahunga

Men in ECE Invitation Award Application Form

We value men's involvement in the early childhood education sector. Achieving a gender balance of men and women in early childhood services is important for the quality of ECE for children.

This Award is offered as a unique way of saying to men that they are welcome. We are putting out the welcome mat and offering this Award.

The Invitation Award comprises of:

- A grant of \$400.00 to go toward the cost of study provided by a Sponsor.
- A 12-month OECE educator membership.

Award applicants may be based anywhere in NZ and must meet the following criteria:

- Be male.
- Be born in NZ or have full NZ residency.
- Provide proof of acceptance by a NZ public tertiary education institution into an ECE degree programme leading to a qualification that will be recognised by the NZ Teaching Council for working as a certificated teacher in early childhood education.
- Be about to commence teacher education study or enrolled in a teacher education programme for not more than 60 days from the date of course commencement.
- Not have applied for or been granted any other scholarship or grant, apart from a student allowance.

Note that the OECE reserves the right not to grant the Award to any applicant and not to make an Award in any year. It will not enter into discussions or provide explanations.

To apply for an Invitation Award, complete the following form and post it to "Men in ECE Invitation Award" Applications, The OECE, PO Box 58-078, Porirua, 5245, or Email:

admin@oece.nz

OECE Men in ECE Invitation Award Application Form

Full Name: _____

Full Postal Address: _____

Email: _____ (check this is your correct email)

Date of Birth: _____ Phone: _____

Reason(s) for wanting to train to be an early childhood teacher:

Any other information in support of your registration of interest:

Please confirm the following by writing your name underneath and signing:

1. I was born in NZ or have full NZ residency.
2. I have not applied for or been granted any other scholarship or grant subsidy other than a student allowance to assist me with the costs of teacher training.
3. I am a male.
4. I have not yet commenced study or my course started less than 60 days ago.

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

ATTACH TO THIS APPLICATION:

1. Proof (e.g., a photocopy of a letter from your NZ **public** tertiary institution e.g. University, AUT, UNITEC ...) of acceptance into an **ECE** degree programme leading to a qualification that will be recognised by the Teaching Council of NZ for working as a certificated teacher in ECE.
2. Proof of your identity, e.g., a photocopy of passport photo page, or driver licence or student card.
3. A copy of your CV which includes your previous work experiences, any qualifications and study history.

Applications will not be returned so please do not include original copies of documents.

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