



Tait Paramedicine Scholarships 2021 Awards

Undergraduate Scholarships

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Celebrating our 2021 Scholarship winners

Undergraduate Scholarship Winners – Bachelors Degree in Paramedicine

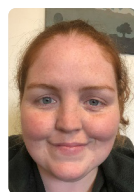
Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) students studying a Bachelors Degree in Paramedicine are preparing for practice as contemporary ambulance paramedics to provide emergency and non-urgent medical care in a range of situations. Skills to assess, stabilise, treat and refer patients. Involves clinical placements in ambulance services, hospitals and other settings.



Harriet Butcher

Volunteer

Former Surf Lifeguard and current First Responder for St John in Whitianga, she is completing her BHSc Paramedicine to gain Emergency Medical Technician ATP. She has a passion for providing holistic care and an interest in clinical education. Her goal is to support vulnerable communities by providing high quality care and education.



Anna Hocquard

Emergency Medical Technician

Works for St John in the Waitomo region. Passionate about improving health outcomes across NZ, she has had extensive experience with CanTeen as volunteer Teenlinker working in patient support and advocacy on behalf of patients and their siblings. She enjoys both the theory and practical application of her studies to improve patient outcomes.



Libbie Faith

Emergency Medical Technician

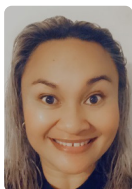
Employed by Search & Rescue Services as crewman on the Greenlea Rescue Helicopter. Works casually for St John out of Taupō and Turangi. She is completing a BHSc Paramedicine at AUT to further her clinical knowledge and skills. Her passion is bringing care to rural and remote areas of Aotearoa.



Satoshi Kono

Emergency Medical Technician

Works for St John in Auckland, Hamilton, and the Hauraki/Coromandel region. Satoshi originates from Japan and has been living in New Zealand for the past ten years. He enjoys the challenge of working both in urban and rural areas, managing patients with a wide variety of presentations and severities.



Raewyn Lawrence

Emergency Medical Technician

Works for St John and the “fabulous” Kaitaia Team across the Far North. She is studying BHSc Paramedicine at Whitireia and has a continuing passion to help people in Te Taitokerau. With her life experience and further education, she is a role model to encourage others on this career pathway.

Postgraduate Scholarship Winners – Paramedics

Paramedics (PARAs) are capable of delivering some medicines specific to patients requiring pain relief, in shock, or who are continuously fitting. Officers at this level have either completed an internal education package, or have completed a Bachelor of Health Science in Paramedicine.



Andrew Odgers

Paramedic

Works for St John in Christchurch. With a desire for personal development he also works as a Volunteer Team Manager, facilitating peer development, works with the Australasian College of Paramedicine and also NZ Society for Mountain Medicine. He is a Right Care SME. Andrew's scholarship is awarded for Integrative Research & Practice Reality.



Megan Parr

Paramedic

Works for St John in the Marlborough region. She has a strong interest in rural healthcare and health equity. She is the Right Care SME for Marlborough and also has an interest in low acuity plans and managing patients in the community. Megan's scholarship is awarded for Advanced Assessment & Diagnostic Reasoning.



Tracey Parks

Paramedic

Works full time for St John in Nelson Bays. Tracey was a St John Cadet and prior to her ambulance career she was a Public Health and Registered Nurse. She gained her paramedic qualification in 2013 and qualified BHSc in 2016. Tracey's scholarship is awarded for study of Pharmacology Science and Therapeutics.



Jordan Retemeyer

Paramedic

Works for St John in Whakatane, Jordan started his ambulance career in Rotorua before moving to Auckland where he completed his training. He has a keen interest in mentoring and precepting the next generation of paramedics. Jordan's scholarship is awarded for study of Health Professional Practice and Clinical Enquiry for Evidence Based Practice.

Postgraduate Scholarship Winners – Intensive Care Paramedics

Intensive Care Paramedics (ICPs) are specialists in critical care and clinical judgement, with a proven ability to manage complex patients. Often thrust into situations that require complex life-saving procedures. They are capable of administering a wide range of medicines, advanced airway management, and a number of invasive skills.



Shane Bergman

Intensive Care Paramedic

Works for St John in Hawkes Bay. He has achieved his BHSc and PG Certificate in Speciality Care, practicing ICP since 2019, and now studying towards PGDipHSc. Shane is a member of the USAR Team and previously a paramedic crewman with the HB Rescue Helicopter. Shane's scholarship is awarded for study of Advanced Resuscitation.



Kevin Stickney

Intensive Care Paramedic

Works for St John in Palmerston North, previously in Auckland. He has achieved a BHSc and Post Graduate Diploma in Health Science. He is part of the Clinical Development Team running simulation clinics to prepare interns for their next step. Kevin's scholarship is awarded for Research in Practice to complete his Master of Health Practice.



Elizabeth Wakelin

Intensive Care Paramedic

Works for St John in Whangarei. She holds a Graduate Certificate in Emergency Management and a BHSc in Paramedicine. Her main interest is to move into Primary Health Care and is currently working towards her Post Graduate Diploma in Health Science (ECP). Elizabeth's scholarship is awarded for study of Advanced Assessment & Diagnostic Reasoning.

Postgraduate Scholarship Winners – Extended Care Paramedics

Extended Care Paramedics (ECPs) support patients with urgent, unscheduled primary healthcare needs in a community setting. Specialists in assessing and treating a range of patients requiring care with ear, nose and throat issues, suturing basic wounds, administering oral antibiotics, administering enemas for constipation and managing a blocked urinary catheter.



Katie Clark

Extended Care Paramedic

Works for Wellington Free Ambulance and is a preceptor for graduate paramedics. She holds a Bachelor of Biomedical Science from Otago University and a Bachelor of Health Science (Paramedicine) from Whitireia NZ. She is passionate about continuing her education in paramedicine. Katie's scholarship is awarded for Clinical Assessment and Diagnostic Reasoning.



Matthew Hitchiner

Extended Care Paramedic

Works with Wellington Free Ambulance in the Wairarapa. and as a volunteer medic for LandSAR. Previously worked for the London Ambulance Service in Central London. He is particularly interested in helping to promote community health resilience through practice and education. Matthew's scholarship is awarded for the study of Pharmacology Science & Therapeutics.



James Currie

Extended Care Paramedic

Works for Wellington Free Ambulance in the greater Wellington region. He holds roles as an assessor and preceptor and is building relationships with local medical centres and other health providers in the community. He is currently studying towards a postgraduate Diploma in Health Science. James's scholarship is awarded for Pharmacology Science and Therapeutics.



Sandra Holliday

Extended Care Paramedic

Works for St John in South Taranaki. She gained her Masters in Health Practice in 2020 and enjoys applying community health approach to medicine. She is part of the POC Ultrasound trial and will cement her learnings into the Ultrasound imaging paper being completed at AUT. Sandra's scholarship is awarded for study of Ultrasound Imaging.



Stephen Flett

Extended Care Paramedic

Works for St John in the South Auckland Region and has spent 15 years working amongst Maori and Pacific Islander communities dealing with medical issues that can arise due to cultural needs. He holds a BHSc in Nursing and Paramedicine from AUT. Stephen's scholarship is awarded for study of Advanced Assessment & Diagnostic Reasoning.



Laura Roberstson

Extended Care Paramedic

Works for Wellington Free Ambulance and is a Relief Shift Manager. She holds a BHSc in Exercise Physiology and Paramedicine and is completing the Postgraduate Diploma to further her clinical knowledge to serve the community of Porirua with its diverse cultural, social and economic opportunities. Laura's scholarship is awarded for Pharmacology Science and Therapeutics.





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