

The Roger Marshall Scholarship

Offered by Kelso Genetics | Valued at \$5,000

The Roger Marshall Scholarship, proudly offered by Kelso Genetics, honours the legacy of company founder Roger Marshall—an innovator and pioneer in New Zealand sheep genetics. Valued at \$5,000 (GST incl) and awarded annually, this scholarship is designed to support the next generation of leaders in sheep and beef farming or agribusiness.

Roger was a visionary, and demonstrated extraordinary tenacity in his pursuit of excellence in sheep breeding. The core pillars that support Kelso Genetics today of ‘Listening, Thinking, and Innovating’ originate from Roger’s determination to lead, by offering superior genetics to help drive better performance in sheep farming. This scholarship reflects those same principles, aiming to foster future professionals who share Roger’s passion for farming and his drive to enhance the industry through innovation.

Eligibility Criteria

Open to full-time students enrolled in a New Zealand tertiary institution or land-based training organisation, the scholarship is available to those in the second-to-last or final year of their studies. Applicants must be the son or daughter of a Kelso Genetics client (employees included) and demonstrate a strong passion for farming and agribusiness, a dedication to academic growth, and a forward-thinking mindset. Year dependent criteria: The scholarship will be presented at the Kelso Winter Workshop in May 2026, an event which celebrates success, business innovation and growth in our farming sector.

Key Dates

- Applications Open: 1 February
- Applications Close: 30 April
- Recipient Announced: By 31 May

Submitting Application

Please submit your entry form and all relevant documents to:

Olivia Ellis

olivia@kelso.co.nz

Please complete the following details and attach the required documentation with your entry form.

Section One: Personal Details

Full Name_____

Date of Birth_____

Phone Number_____

Email Address_____

Physical Address_____

Parents Full Name_____

Farm Name_____

Section Two: Academic Details

Name of Institute_____

Programme Enrolled In_____

Current Year of Study_____

Intended Course Completion Date_____

Work Experience_____

Academic Achievements_____

Leadership Roles, Innovative Achievements or Industry Involvement_____

Section Three: Personal Statements

- ☐ Please provide proof of your enrolment at your current institute. This must be a document provided by your tertiary or land based training institute.
- ☐ Please complete and attach the following two questions, with no more than 500 words on each topic:
 - ☐ What inspired you to undertake your current course of study and what contribution do you hope to make to the agricultural industry?
 - ☐ What is the greatest opportunity you see for the sheep and beef sector?

Section Four: Declaration

I confirm that:

- ☐ All information I have provided in this application is true and correct.
- ☐ I am currently enrolled in a relevant programme at a recognised New Zealand tertiary institution or land-based training provider.
- ☐ I am in my second-to-last or final year of my studies.
- ☐ I am the daughter or son of a current Kelso Genetics client (employees included).
- ☐ If selected, I consent to my name, photo and information being used in scholarship-related publicity by Kelso Genetics.

Signature_____

Date_____

Interview questions

- Tell us a bit about your background and your interest in agriculture.
- How do your studies and career goals align with the sheep and beef sector?
- Could you please provide examples of how you've demonstrated innovation or leadership.
- If you were to receive this scholarship, how would it help you with your studies or goals?
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