

NZ MERINO CLASSER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME 2024

AN EXCITING OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUR CLASSING CAREER

The New Zealand Merino Company is offering an exciting programme for up and coming wool classers who have completed their classing certification. This is an opportunity to gain practical experience and training under experienced classers in high quality merino sheds.

Trainees will complete a customised training programme designed to hone their skills in fine wool classing, and provide an overall well rounded education on wool harvesting through to the market delivery of the product.

The programme will be provided by The New Zealand Merino Company (NZM) along with two highly experienced classing mentors.

As well as practical in shed classing skills, trainees will build an understanding and appreciation for ZQ values, contracts, and the administration requirements needed to be a successful classer in the industry.

Successful applicants will receive a payment to assist in covering travel costs, a resource kit and a customised set of ZQ apparel.

The classer programme is designed to lift individuals' performance and skills while:

- Promoting training and a career in wool classing in NZ
- Communicating market needs and requirements
- Developing future mentors and leaders within the sector

Successful applicants will have the following:

- Their classer certificate (P Stencil)
- Good communication skills
- A desire to learn
- Basic classing skills
- A positive attitude and a passion for wool
- The goal of working as a classer within the NZ industry

We are seeking candidates who conduct themselves in a way that is consistent with NZM's core values:

- Live with integrity, be authentic and do the right thing, always
- Act courageously, think and act boldly
- Be curious, explore the world, learn and evolve
- Act with empathy, seek to understand & respect others
- Persevere, persist and work together

How to Apply:

- Complete the following application form
- Send the completed application form, with a CV/resume and cover letter to the below contact details
- If you require any more information regarding the programme please contact:

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The Key dates:

- **Applications close 24 April 2024**
- Applicants must be available for an interview between 6 to 10 May 2024

Course dates are as follows:

- Course dates: 15 July - 4 October 2024
- Programme summary and presentations: 14 October 2024
- Course dates are subject to change, but will be adhered to where possible

APPLICATION FORM

NZ MERINO WOOL CLASSER SCHOLARSHIP 2024

APPLICANT FIRST NAME

APPLICANT LAST NAME

APPLICANT ADDRESS

APPLICANT DATE OF BIRTH

APPLICANT EMAIL ADDRESS

APPLICANT PHONE NUMBER

REASON FOR APPLICATION

The fine print:

- Applicants must agree to accept the terms and conditions of this programme.
- The programme requires a full time commitment from the 15 July 2024 until 14 October 2024. During this time participants will be required to travel and some programme activities will take place on weekend days

I have read and understand the application criteria

Yes, I agree (tick box)

PLEASE SUBMIT ALL APPLICATIONS BY 24 APRIL 2024 TO NIC BLANCHARD
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