

Assessment Specifications

Scholarship Technology 2026

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General information

Performance Standard:	93601
Assessment method:	Digitally submitted report
Assessment medium	Digital submission
Permitted file types:	One PDF report, one digital file (mp3, mp4, wav, or avi) of supporting evidence, if required
Final date of submission:	28 October 2026

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Format of the assessment

The assessment will be in the form of a reflective report, based on experiences in developing a technological outcome(s).

Technological experiences include:

- undertaking technological practice to develop a technological outcome(s) that is justified as fit for purpose in the broadest sense and shows elements of elegance and / or originality
- demonstrating understanding of concepts underpinning technological knowledge
- demonstrating understanding of the nature of technology.

A report is an organised collection of evidence that clearly communicates the candidate's knowledge, understanding, and skills relevant to the Scholarship Technology standard. It must be clear and contain easily accessible evidence of the candidate's outcome. It may include clear photographs, images, or graphics.

The report should meet the following requirements:

- length: maximum 54 single sided A4 pages
- typeface: 12pt Arial, or similar
- margins: 2.5cm (top, bottom, left, and right).

Candidates may also submit one clearly labelled digital media file (mp3, mp4, wav, avi) of supporting evidence that is no more than three minutes long. The supporting evidence should communicate development and functionality of technological outcomes, or illustrate aspects of the candidate's experiences shown in the report. The files could show a prototype's fitness for purpose in the broadest sense, or a series of snap-shot clips highlighting key stages or milestones. The supporting evidence should not introduce new material that has not been shown in the report.

Links within the report to files or websites cannot be accessed by the marker.

Conditions of assessment

If digital technology (DT) outcomes include websites, databases, apps, games, etc., these will not be accessed by the marker. Dynamic aspects should, therefore, be communicated using screen-capture techniques and / or video evidence.

If candidates have been involved in a group project, they must explicitly declare their individual role within the project, and report on their own work only. Where this is not clear, the marker may not see the evidence as belonging to the candidate.

Candidates are not permitted to shrink pages to include evidence that exceeds 54 single sided A4 pages.

The Scholarship entry must be the student's independent work. The use of chatbots, generative AI, paraphrasing tools, or other tools that can automatically generate content is not permitted when writing the report.

Submission requirements

Detailed submission instructions for Scholarship Technology will be available in Term 3 on the [Technology subject page](#).

Special assessment conditions

Refer to the NZQA website for further information:

[Aromatawai special assessment conditions](#)