



Guide to the AMINZ Fellowship Programme

AMINZ's Fellowship Programme examines candidates at an advanced level and assesses their ability to act as an arbitrator or mediator.

Fellowship represents the Institute's highest membership tier, and the program leading to Fellowship encompasses a comprehensive assessment of both academic and practical expertise.

The Fellowship Programme is managed by Royden Hindle, Director of Professional Studies, and Paul Sills, Deputy Director of Professional Studies (Arbitration and Mediation).

Why undertake Fellowship?

The programme is a dedicated in-depth study of concepts and practice in mediation or arbitration.

Recognition of your skill and knowledge.

Attain the Institute's highest qualification, recognised in Aotearoa New Zealand and internationally. AMINZ Fellows have a reciprocal right of Fellowship with the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK), opening the opportunity for international credentialing.

Gain the use of the post-nominal, FAMINZ(Arb) or FAMINZ(Med)

Who can undertake Fellowship?

To undertake the Fellowship Programme, the candidate must be a current Associate Member.

Applicants for Fellowship must be able to show for admission as a Fellow that:

- (a) they are a fit and proper person; and
- (b) they are a person who, by virtue of their training and/or experience and their personal qualities, demonstrates competence at the date of admission to act as an arbitrator or as a mediator (as the case may be).

How it works?

The Institute evaluates candidates under the premise of their proficient knowledge in arbitration or mediation. This comprehensive assessment encompasses an admissions interview, participation in an advanced seminar, a key preparations meeting, a thorough two-part written examination, and a practical assessment that involves the active application of skills.



Process for the AMINZ

Fellowship Programme

Interview

After you submit your application for Fellowship, we will arrange for two admissions assessors to interview you and assess your readiness for the programme. Should you pass the interview stage, you will be invited to undertake the Fellowship programme.

Advanced Seminar

Elevate your expertise and connect with fellow candidates on the exciting journey towards your Fellowship examinations in the Advanced Seminar. Led by senior Institute members, this event rejuvenates and enriches your knowledge, making it a crucial step in your path to success.

It is compulsory to attend the Advanced Seminar. However, candidates who have attended an Arbitration Skills Intensive or a Mediation Skills Intensive within two years of their upcoming examinations are exempt from this requirement.

Preparation Seminar

The two-hour session guides you through the preparation for examinations and the scoring criteria. It is also an opportunity to establish study groups and obtain mentors. This is compulsory for all candidates sitting Fellowship.

Written Examinations

You'll complete two comprehensive examinations, each lasting two hours, evaluating your theoretical and practical knowledge. Both written tests are conducted on the same day.

Successfully passing these examinations is a prerequisite for the subsequent practical assessment, which is scheduled a few months after the written tests.

Practical Examinations

The Practical Examinations are designed to evaluate your competency and professionalism as a mediator or arbitrator through real-world scenarios, encompassing role plays and self-reflection exercises.

Council Approval

The names of all candidates who have achieved success in the written examinations and the practical assessment are submitted to the Council for approval as new Fellows of the Institute.



Additional Information

Fellowship Programme

Educational Support

AMINZ wants to help you through the Fellowship Programme. We will guide and assist you through the journey.

On request, AMINZ will endeavour to supply candidates with a mentor for the Fellowship. Candidates often form study groups to assist in the preparation for Fellowship testing and this is recommended.

Reconsideration & Resits

If you do not pass any section of the Written Examination or Practical Examinations, according to the AMINZ By-Laws, you have the option to request consideration from the AMINZ Council.

If you've previously attempted Fellowship and didn't pass a component of the examinations within the last three years, you are eligible to re-sit only the failed component. Upon successfully passing that component, you can proceed to apply for acceptance as a Fellow of the Institute by the AMINZ Council.

Programme Costs and Important Dates

Thurs 2nd May	Auckland	Advanced Seminar	\$600
Thurs 16th May	Online	Preparation Seminar	\$150
Tues 23rd July	Online	Written Examinations Part 1 & 2	\$1050
Thurs 24th October	Auckland	Practical Assessment	\$1600
		Complete Programme	\$3400



Application Form Fellowship Programme

Application for Fellowship in* Arbitration Mediation

Name:* Phone:

Email:*

Address:*

City

Postcode

AMINZ Membership code:
(if known)

Principal profession/occupation:*

Present position:*

Name of employer/firm:*

Have you ever been charged with professional misconduct or been
subject to disciplinary action by a professional body or association?* Yes No

Have you been convicted of a criminal offence?* Yes No

If you answered 'yes' to the above two questions, please provide details.

Referee 1:

Name:* Phone:*

Email:*

Referee 2:

Name:* Phone:*

Email:*

Declaration *

I hereby apply for admission to membership of the Arbitrators' and Mediators' Institute of New Zealand Inc. and agree, if admitted, to comply with the Rules and By-Laws and any subsequent amendments and/or alterations thereto which may be made. Signing the below certifies that the details provided by me are correct.

Signature

Date