By the provisions of the University Amendment Act of 1919 the annual statutory grants to the affiliated colleges were increased as follows : Auckland University College, from £9,000 to £11,500; Victoria University College, from £9,000 to £11,500; Canterbury College, from £2,000 to £4,500; Otago University, from £5,000 to £10,000.

The Amendment Act comes into operation on the 1st April, 1920, the main object in increasing the grants being to make provision for higher salaries for the staffs of the colleges and for increased staffs where necessary. Canterbury College and the University of Otago are each endowed with land reserves from which considerable income is derived. In addition to the grants mentioned above a certain proportion of the income from the National Endowment Fund for the purposes of education is paid directly to the four affiliated institutions, the sum paid to each in the year 1919–20 being £1,881. There is also provision for the payment under regulations of a Government subsidy on voluntary contributions to the funds of the institutions affiliated to the University of New Zealand, and special grants are made from time to time for buildings and equipment. £9,867 was paid to the colleges by way of subsidy in 1919–20, and £7,743 as grants for extended buildings. Further grants of large sums, totalling £55,000, for the acquisition of additional sites and for extensions to buildings have recently been approved.

The total amount paid by the Education Department on account of the University of New Zealand and the affiliated colleges for the year 1919–20 was £68,975, and the total expenditure of these institutions on University education (exclusive of trust funds) was £127,545.

NEW ZEALAND UNIVERSITY.

The University conducted examinations in 1919 in the faculties of arts, science, medicine, public health, dentistry, home science, law, engineering, commerce, agriculture, and music, and for admission to the legal and accountants' professions. The table below gives the numbers qualifying for degrees and scholarships from the four University Colleges :—

NUMBER OF SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES AT THE EXAMINATIONS FOR DEGREES IN 1919.

Degrees, &c.	Auckland University College.			Victoria University College.			Canterbury College.			Otago University.			Total.		
	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F	Total.	M.	F.	Total.
Doctor of Medicine	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	1
Master of Science	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Honours in Science	2	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	3	6	5	4	9
Honours in Arts..	8	1	9	4	1	5	3	3	6	6	3	9	21	8	29
Master of Arts ..	1	..	1	3	1	4	1	4	5	3	..	3	8	5	13
Master of Commerce	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Bachelor of—															
Arts	14	5	19	11	16	27	4	6	10	11	9	20	40	36	76
Science	4	..	4	7	3	10	3	..	3	4	1	5	18	4	22
Medicine and Surgery	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40	3	43	40	3	43
Dental Surgery	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2	2	..	2
Laws	8	..	8	12	..	12	4	..	4	..	..	..	24	..	24
Music	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Commerce	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1
Engineering (Civil)	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	6	..	..	..	6	..	6
Bachelor of Science in Home Science	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	4	..	4	4
Senior University Scholarships	3	..	3	3	..	3	1	1	2	5	2	7	12	3	15
John Tinline Scholarships	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Totals, 1919	41	9	50	41	22	63	22	14	36	75	25	100	179	70	249
Totals, 1918	13	11	24	20	32	52	12	14	26	38	21	59	83	78	161

In addition to these successes, 1,327 candidates passed sections of the examinations for degrees or for admission to professions; 37 gained certificates of proficiency. There were 143 candidates for the Entrance Scholarship Examination, 41 gaining scholarships, 68 others passing the examination with credit, and 32 qualifying for matriculation. The number of candidates for the Matriculation Examination was 2,653, of whom 806 passed the whole examination, 357 completed partial passes, and 411 gained partial passes. In a number of cases the Senate granted passes in sections or in individual subjects to students who had enlisted.