

# **AECOM Civil and Structural Engineering Scholarship**

**Code**: 841

Faculty: Engineering

Applicable study: Part II, III or IV of a BE(Hons) in Civil Engineering or Structural Engineering

Closing date: 29 May 2024
Tenure: One year

For: Assistance with study

Number on offer:OneOffer rate:AnnuallyValue:\$8,000

#### **Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2021 and is funded by AECOM New Zealand Limited, an international engineering consultancy and design firm.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage and support students enrolled in a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) degree at the University of Auckland, specialising in Civil Engineering or Structural Engineering who have an interest in Water, Geotech, Transport and Structural (Bridges) Engineering.

## Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assess the applications
- Shortlisted candidates will be required to attend an interview
- The Scholarship is awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

## Regulations

- 1. The Scholarship shall be known as the AECOM Civil and Structural Engineering Scholarship.
- 2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually, for a period of one year and will be of the value of \$8,000.
- 3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a New Zealand Citizen or Permanent Resident (see Note III), and ii) enrolled full-time in Part II, III, or IV of a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (BE(Hons)) degree in Civil Engineering. A grade point average (GPA) of at least 5.00 (4.50 for Māori and Pacific candidates) is required for Scholarship consideration (see Note IV).
- 4. The basis of selection will be academic achievement (see Note IV), and the applicant's technical ability; practical knowledge of the application of engineering skills; character, leadership potential and social skills; contribution to the University and/or community activities as assessed by a personal statement and performance in an interview. Short-listed candidates will be required to attend an interview. The following criteria may also inform selection: i) the donor's interest in encouraging and supporting a) women in engineering, and/or b) Māori students, and/or c) Pacific students (see Note V), and/or ii) the applicant's interest in a career in Water, Geotech, Transport, or Structural

- (Bridges) Engineering.
- 5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering (or nominee), an academic from the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering nominated by the Dean of Engineering, and a representative of AECOM New Zealand.
- 6. The Scholarship will be paid in one instalment upon award.
- 7. The Scholarship may not be held concurrently with any other Engineering scholarship funded by a private company, but may be held concurrently with any other scholarship, award or grant as long as the regulations for that scholarship, award or grant permit and the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves. It is the responsibility of the awardee to declare to the Scholarships Office all other scholarships, awards or grant funding received and for which the awardee receives payment while also in payment for this Scholarship.
- 8. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there is no candidate that meets the criteria and/or no candidate of sufficient merit.
- 9. Payments under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax-free as long as they are used for the payment of costs associated with an awardee's programme of study and/or to assist the awardee with living costs while studying (see Note I). Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.
- 10. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the Donor, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
- 11. Applications close with the Scholarships Office by 29 May in the year of the award.
- 12. Notes [I]-[VI] below are deemed to be regulations.

#### **Notes**

- I. The tax-free status of this Scholarship is under current legislation. The University of Auckland cannot guarantee this tax-free outcome.
- II. The awardee will be given preference for the available paid vocational employment positions at AECOM New Zealand Ltd. However, there shall be no obligation placed on the Scholarship holder to join the service of the donor organisation either during or upon completion of the programme of study, nor shall there be any guarantee of employment with the donor organisation on completion of the programme of study.
- III. New Zealand Permanent Residents have been granted a Permanent Resident Visa by Immigration New Zealand. For more information visit https://www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand-visas/already-have-a-visa/becoming-a-permanent-resident.
- IV. For the purposes of this Scholarship, academic merit is assessed as a Scholarships GPA obtained over the applicant's most recent two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent). Where a student has not completed two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent) at the time of application, the Scholarships GPA will be obtained over all BE(Hons) study undertaken to date.
- V. Pacific applicants are defined as New Zealand Citizens or Permanent Residents (see Note III) who are of Indigenous Pacific descent from any of the following islands: Samoa, American Samoa, Tonga, Cook Islands, Niue, Tokelau, Fiji (iTaukei), Rotuma, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, New Caledonia, Papua New Guinea, Kiribati, Tuvalu, Palau, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Wallis and Futuna, Hawaii, French Polynesia, Rapanui (Easter Island), Pitcairn Islands, Nauru, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands.
- VI. Awardees will be required to will comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and must notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that an awardee is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received.