

Todd Mataga AUEA Award

| Code: | 550 |
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| Faculty: | Engineering and Design Business School |
| Applicable study: | Part IV of BE(Hons) in Chemical and Materials Engineering or an MBA or MEMgt |
| Closing date: | 30 July 2025 |
| Tenure: | One year |
| For: | Assistance with study |
| Number on offer: | Up to two |
| Offer rate: | Annually |
| Value: | Up to \$7,500 each for BE(Hons) or up to \$10,000 for masters study |

Description

The Award was established in 2008 by Todd Mataga's parents and brothers as a memorial to their son and sibling, a graduate of the Department of Chemical and Materials Engineering. The Award is also an acknowledgement of the importance of the Auckland University Engineers Association (AUEA) to the Faculty of Engineering.

Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- Short-listed applicants will be required to attend an interview
- The Award is made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

Regulations

- 1. The Award shall be known as the Todd Mataga AUEA Award.
- Up to two Awards shall be made annually, each for a period of one year, and will be of the value of up to \$7,500 each for students enrolled in Part IV of a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (BE (Hons)) degree or up to \$10,000 for a student enrolling in a Master of Business Administration (MBA) or a Master of Engineering Management (MEMgt). Awardees who have held the Award for the BE(Hons) may apply again for eligible masters study.
- 3. To be eligible for Award consideration, an applicant must be either i) enrolled full-time in Part IV of a BE (Hons) degree specialising in Chemical and Materials Engineering at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland, or ii) enrolled full-time in a MEMgt at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland, or iii) enrolled in an MBA at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland or another comparable university. Applicants enrolled in an MEMgt or MBA must have previously graduated with a BE(Hons) degree in Chemical and Materials Engineering from Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland to be considered for the Award. Applicants enrolled in an MBA must have completed a minimum of 5 years' non-academic work experience to be considered for the Award.
- 4. The basis of selection will be academic achievement as assessed by undergraduate academic results in Chemical and Materials Engineering, and the applicant's organisational and leadership skills as assessed by a personal

statement and performance in an interview. Short-listed applicants will be required to attend an interview (see Note II).

- 5. The Award will be made by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising of the President (or nominee) of the AUEA, the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering (or nominee) and the Head of Department of Chemical and Materials Engineering (or nominee).
- 6. The Award will be paid in one instalment in Semester Two or Quarter Three, as soon as is practical after confirmation of the awardee's enrolment (that is, after the final date on which a student may add or delete courses without incurring a late enrolment fee) for awardees enrolled at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland, and on confirmation of enrolment for an awardee enrolled in a MBA at a comparable university (see Note III).
- 7. To be paid the Award, awardees must be enrolled full-time in either Part IV of a BE(Hons) or an MEMgt programme at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland, or in an MBA at either Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland or a comparable university.
- 8. The Award 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 Award.
- 9. 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.
- 10. Payments under the terms of this Award 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 Award.
- 11. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with AUEA Board, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Award.
- 12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 30 July in the year of the Award.
- 13. Notes [I]-[VII] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

- I. The tax-free status of this Award is under current legislation. The University of Auckland cannot guarantee this taxfree outcome.
- II. Interviews will take place before the end of August each year.
- *III.* Payment must be made to a New Zealand bank account in the name of the awardee and cannot be made to an account in another person's account.
- IV. In making a recommendation for this Award the Selection Committee shall take into account other scholarships, bursaries and awards held by the applicants, with a view of achieving a fair distribution of monies to qualifying applicants.
- V. Two further members of AUEA may be invited to attend the interviews, but the Selection Committee (as outlined in Regulation 5) will make recommendation to the University of Auckland Council.
- VI. Awardees are required to submit a written report to the AUEA, approximately six months after notification of the award. The brief report shall update AUEA as to the particular engineering career path the awardee is undertaking and the benefit the awardee has gained from the award.
- VII. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Award 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 Award and require repayment of the funds received.