Fraser Thomas Scholarship

Code: 481
Faculty: Engineering
Applicable study: Part II of BE(Hons) in Civil Engineering
Closing date: 28 March 2024
Tenure: Up to three years (see Reg. 3)
For: Assistance with Fees
Number on offer: One
Offer rate: Annually
Value: Year 2 50%, Year 3 75%, Year 4 100% of tuition fees

Description

The Scholarship was established in 2005 as a successor to the ‘First Look’ scholarship scheme, and is financed by Fraser Thomas. The main purpose of the Scholarship is to assist and encourage students taking the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) majoring in Civil Engineering.

Fraser Thomas is a well established consulting practice based in Manukau City. Its fields of practice include civil, geotechnical, environmental, and structural engineering, and land surveying. This scholarship will enable Fraser Thomas to support the engineering profession.

Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- Short-listed candidates may 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 will be known as the Fraser Thomas Scholarship.
2. One scholarship will be awarded annually, for a period of up to three years, and will be a contribution towards compulsory tuition fees. In the first year of the award, the Scholarship will cover 50% of compulsory tuition fees, in the second year the Scholarship will cover 75%, and in the third year the Scholarship will cover 100% of tuition fees (see Note II).
3. The Scholarship may be awarded to a student who is enrolled in a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (BE(Hons)) degree in Civil Engineering. Preference will be given to students who have an interest in and intend to take up a career in civil infrastructure and/or structural engineering. Conjoint students are not eligible to apply.
4. The Scholarship is tenable by citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.
5. The basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the grade point average (GPA) calculated over results
for Part I of the BE(Hons); a written statement on why civil infrastructure and/or structural engineering is important in today’s world; and a personal statement describing the candidate’s communication/technical ability and professional skills; interpersonal skills, and leadership potential; contribution to the university and/or community activities; and potential to contribute to the Civil Engineering Industry. Short-listed candidates may be required to attend an interview. A minimum GPA of 5.00 is required for consideration for the Scholarship.

6. 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), the Head of the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (or nominee) and a representative from Fraser Thomas.

7. The Scholarship will be paid as a tuition fees credit each semester or for a whole year where the courses have been confirmed. To continue to hold the Scholarship, recipients must maintain a GPA of 5.00 (equivalent to a B average) in each semester of study based on all courses undertaken.

8. The Scholarship may not be held concurrently with any other Engineering scholarship funded by a private company, but may be held 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 recipient 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.

9. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with Fraser Thomas, has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a recipient from the Head of Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

10. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with Fraser Thomas, is not obliged to make an award if in any year there is no candidate of sufficient merit.

11. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with Fraser Thomas, has power to amend or vary these Regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

12. Applications close with the Scholarship Office on 28 March in the year of the award.

13. Notes [I]-[II] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

I. Vacation employment at Fraser Thomas to gain work experience and a knowledge/understanding of the company, will be available during the summer vacations of Years 2-3 and 3-4

II. Tertiary fees are only those related to the relevant programme of study, i.e. Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Civil Engineering.

III. Students holding this Scholarship may be required to participate in promotional activities for the Scholarship, including profiles on social media.

IV. Recipients of a Fraser Thomas Scholarship will be required to give undertakings that they will comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and will notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. The University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that a recipient of a Fraser Thomas Scholarship is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.