Jim Greatbanks Mount Albert Grammar School Engineering Scholarship

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2017 and is funded by Jim Greatbanks, an alumnus of the University of Auckland Faculty of Engineering and Mount Albert Grammar School (MAGS).

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage Mount Albert Grammar School students to study Engineering at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland.

**Selection process**

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- Short-listed applicants 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 Jim Greatbanks Mount Albert Grammar School Engineering Scholarship.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually, for a period of up to four years, and will be of the value of $5,000 per annum.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand, ii) currently enrolled in their final year at Mount Albert Grammar School (MAGS) and iii) intending to enrol full-time in a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (BE(Hons)) or associated conjoint programme at Waipapa Taumata Rau, University of Auckland in the following year.
4. The basis of selection will be academic ability based on results at Level 2 or higher in the National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) or an equivalent qualification, and the applicant’s leadership potential and community involvement; commitment and desire to study Engineering; as well as any other information about their personal circumstances they feel the Selection Committee should be aware of, as assessed by a personal statement,
and performance in an interview with the Selection Committee. Short-listed applicants may be required to attend an interview.

5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering (or nominee), the Principal of Mount Albert Grammar School (or nominee) and a representative of the donor or a member of staff of the Faculty of Engineering nominated by the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering.

6. The Scholarship will be paid annually in two equal instalments, in Semester One and Two, 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).

7. To be paid the Scholarship, the awardee must have achieved admission to the University of Auckland and be enrolled full-time in the BE(Hons) or associated conjoint degree. To receive the second, and subsequent instalments, the awardee will be required to maintain a grade point average (GPA) of at least 5.00 (equivalent to a B average) in each semester of study (see Note I).

8. The Scholarship may not be held concurrently with a University of Auckland Top Achiever Scholarship, University of Auckland Māori Academic Excellence Scholarship, a University of Auckland Pacific Academic Excellence Scholarship or a University of Auckland Academic Potential Scholarship. However, it 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 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.

9. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the donor, has the power to terminate or suspend a scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Associate Dean (Academic) of the Faculty of Engineering.

10. 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.

11. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the donor, can amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 12 September in the year preceding the award.

13. Notes [I]-[VII] below are deemed to be Regulations.

**Notes**

I. For the purposes of this Scholarship, the awardee’s grade point average (GPA) is based on all the courses they undertake in each semester of study.

II. Except in cases where there are compelling medical reasons or adverse personal circumstances beyond a student’s control, the uptake of scholarships cannot be deferred. Students who are offered a Jim Greatbanks Mount Albert Grammar School Engineering Scholarship but who do not take it up in the year of offer may request that their application be reconsidered in the intake of applications for the year immediately following.

III. Awardees must be enrolled continuously in their programme of study. Deferrals for students who have already commenced their degree will not usually be approved unless there are compelling medical or adverse personal circumstances beyond the student’s control.

IV. Deferral requests must be made in writing to the Scholarships Office.

V. If a student enrols at another tertiary institution in New Zealand, the scholarship will lapse.

VI. Payments under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax-free as long as they are used directly for the payment of costs associated with an awardee’s programme of study and/or to assist the awardee with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.

VII. Awardees will be required to 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 a recipient of an awardee is not complying with these regulations, terminate the scholarship.
Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.