Tonkin + Taylor Scholarship

Code: 478
Faculty: Engineering
Applicable study: Part II of BE(Hons) in Civil Engineering
Closing date: 29 May 2024
Tenure: Up to three years (or equivalent) (see Reg. 2)
For: Tuition Fees Assistance
Number on offer: One
Offer rate: Annually
Value: Contribution towards compulsory tuition fees (see Reg. 2)

Description

The Scholarship was established in 2005 and is financed by Tonkin + Taylor, Environmental and Engineering Consultants.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to assist and encourage students taking the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) degree specialising in Civil Engineering. This Scholarship will enable Tonkin + Taylor to support the engineering profession, and be involved in the education of future engineers.

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 Tonkin + Taylor Scholarship.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually and will comprise a contribution towards compulsory tuition fees in Part II, Part III and Part IV of a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) degree. At Part II level, the Scholarship will cover 50% of compulsory tuition fees, at Part III level the Scholarship will cover 75% of compulsory tuition fees and at Part IV level the Scholarship will cover 100% of compulsory tuition fees (see Note II).
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 in Part II of a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (BE(Hons)) or a BE(Hons) conjoint degree in Civil Engineering. Students who have already completed Part II of a BE(Hons) are not eligible to apply. A grade point average (GPA) of 5.00 (4.50 for Māori applicants or Pacific applicants) in Part I of the BE(Hons) is required for Scholarship consideration.
4. The basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the GPA calculated over results for Part I of the BE(Hons), the quality of a written statement on ‘why civil engineering is important in today’s world and what you can
contribute', and the applicant's technical ability and professional skills, personal qualities and leadership potential, contribution to University and/or community activities, and potential to contribute to the civil engineering industry as assessed by a personal statement and performance in an interview. Short-listed candidates may be required to attend an interview.

5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising a representative from Tonkin + Taylor, the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering (or nominee), and the Head of the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (or nominee).

6. In the first year, the Scholarship will be paid as a contribution towards compulsory tuition fees in Semester Two. In the second and subsequent years, the Scholarship will be paid as a contribution towards compulsory tuition fees 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) (see Note II).

7. To be paid the Scholarship, the awardee must be enrolled in Part II of a BE(Hons) in Civil Engineering. To continue to hold the Scholarship for Part III and IV, awardees must maintain a GPA of 4.50 in each semester of study based on all courses undertaken.

8. The Scholarship may not be held 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 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 Tonkin + Taylor, has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress by a Scholar from the Head of Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

10. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with Tonkin + Taylor, is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there is no candidate that meets the criteria and/or there is no candidate of sufficient merit.

11. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with Tonkin + Taylor, 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 29 May in the year of the award.

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

Notes

I. Vacation employment at Tonkin + Taylor, to gain work experience and knowledge of the company, will be available during the summer vacations during the tenure of the Scholarship.

II. Compulsory tuition fees are only those related to the BE(Hons) in Civil Engineering. The Scholarship does not cover Student Services Fees or the tuition fees for any non-BE(Hons) courses (e.g. from the other component of a conjoint degree). Tuition fees will be covered at 50% at Part II level, 75% at Part III level and 100% at Part IV level.

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. Awardees may be required to participate in promotional activities for the Scholarship, including profiles on social media.

V. 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. In consultation with Tonkin + Taylor, 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 from the date of the breach.