The Jim Greatbanks Mount Albert Grammar School Engineering Scholarship

Scholarship description

These Scholarships were established in 2017 and are 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 Scholarships is to encourage Mount Albert Grammar School students to study Engineering at the 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 scholarships are 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 $4,000 per annum.
3. The scholarships will be offered to students who are citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand, currently in their final year at Mount Albert Grammar School (MAGS) and intending to enrol full-time in a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (BE(Hons)) or associate conjoint programme at the University of Auckland in the following year (see Note iv).
4. To take up the offer of the Scholarship, the awardees must achieve admission to the BE(Hons) or associated conjoint programme at the University of Auckland.
5. 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, leadership potential and financial need. Successful applicants will have an NCEA rank score of at least 260 (see Note i).

6. As a condition of tenure, recipients will be required to maintain a grade point average (GPA) of at least 6.00 (equivalent to a B+ average) in each semester of study (see Note ii).

7. 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.

8. The Scholarship will be paid annually in two equal instalments, in the third week of Semesters One and Two.

9. 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 award or grant as long as a) the terms of that award or grant permit and b) the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves. It is the responsibility of the recipient to declare to the Scholarships Office all other grant, award or scholarship funding received while in payment for this Scholarship.

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

11. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if in any year there are no candidates of sufficient merit.

12. The University of Auckland, in consultation with the donor, has the power to amend or vary these regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.

13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 22 January in the year of the award.

14. Notes [i]-[viii] below are deemed to be Regulations.

Notes

I. Financial need will be determined by a range of factors including eligibility for a StudyLink Student Allowance, and personal and financial circumstances.

II. For the purposes of these scholarships, the recipient’s grade point average (GPA) is based on all the courses they undertake in each year of study.

III. 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.

IV. Recipients 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.

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

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

VII. 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. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the scholarship.

VIII. These regulations are subject to Senate and Council approval.