AECOM Women in Engineering Scholarship

Description

The AECOM Women in Engineering Scholarship was established in 2021 and is funded by AECOM New Zealand Limited, an international engineering consultancy and design firm.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage and support women students enrolled in the penultimate year of a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) degree at the University of Auckland, specialising in Civil Engineering.

Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assess the applications
- Shortlisted candidates will 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 shall be known as the AECOM Women in Engineering Scholarship.
2. One Scholarship will be awarded annually, for a period of one year and will be of the value of $5,000.
3. The Scholarship shall be awarded to a student who is enrolled in Part III of a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (BE(Hons)) degree specialising in Civil Engineering.
4. The Scholarship is tenable by women students who are New Zealand citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.
5. The basis of selection will be academic achievement, and a personal statement describing the candidate’s technical ability; practical knowledge of the application of engineering skills; character, leadership potential and social skills; and contribution to the University and/or community activities. Short-listed candidates will be required to attend an interview. A grade point average (GPA) of at least 5.00 (4.50 for Māori and Pacific candidates) is required for Scholarship consideration (see Note IV).
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), an academic from the Department of Engineering.
Civil and Environmental Engineering (chosen by the Dean of Engineering), and a representative of AECOM New Zealand Limited.

7. The Scholarship will be paid in one lump sum.

8. The Scholarship may not be held concurrently with any other Engineering scholarship funded by a private company, but 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 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 is not obliged to make an award if in any particular year there is no candidate of sufficient merit.

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

11. Applications close with the Scholarships Office by 8 April in the year of the award.

12. Notes [I]-[IV] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

I. The recipient of the Scholarship will be given preference for the available paid vocational employment positions at AECOM New Zealand Ltd. However, there shall be no obligation placed on the Scholarship holder to join the service of the donor organisation either during or upon completion of the programme of study, nor shall there be any guarantee of employment with the donor organisation on completion of the programme of study.

II. For the purposes of this Scholarship, academic merit is assessed as a Scholarships GPA obtained over the applicant’s most recent two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent).

III. 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.

IV. Recipients of an AECOM Women in Engineering 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 an AECOM Women in Engineering Scholarship is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.