AUEA Ardmore Fund Undergraduate Scholarship

Description

The Ardmore Fund was established by students from the Auckland University College School of Engineering at Ardmore Class of 1957-59 after their successful reunion in April 2000.

The Scholarship is awarded to students of high academic achievement who exemplify the camaraderie, school spirit and values representative of “The Ardmore Years”. Special consideration is given to students experiencing financial hardship.

Selection process

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- Short-listed 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 will be known as the AUEA Ardmore Fund Undergraduate Scholarship.
2. Scholarships will be awarded annually for a period of one year, and will be of the value of up to $20,000 in total. Each Scholarship will have a minimum value of at least $4,000. Previous recipients of this Scholarship are eligible to apply for this Scholarship in subsequent years of study.
3. The Scholarship will be awarded to candidates who have paid the fees, or arranged to pay the fees, for full-time enrolment in Part II, III or IV of a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (BE (Hons)) or BE(Hons) conjoint degree. Applicants must be citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.
4. The basis of selection will be academic achievement and how well the applicant exemplifies the camaraderie, faculty spirit and values representative of “The Ardmore Years”. This includes commitment, energy, exuberance, friendly rivalry and teamwork. Special consideration will be given to students experiencing financial hardship, particularly where such hardship might result in the student not completing their engineering studies. Candidates should have a grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 5.00 to be considered for the Scholarship. Short-listed candidates will be required to attend an interview (see Notes I to III).
5. The Scholarship shall 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), a representative of the AUEA Committee and an academic from the faculty of Engineering chosen by the Dean of Engineering (see Note IV).

6. The Scholarship will be paid in two equal lump sums in Semester One and Semester Two.

7. The University of Auckland Council has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship, in consultation with the AUEA Board, if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress from the Associate Dean (Undergraduate) of the Faculty of Engineering.

8. The Selection Committee may refrain from recommending a Scholarship if in any particular year there is no candidate of sufficient merit.

9. The Scholarship 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 approved. 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.

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

11. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 26 June in the year of the award.

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

**Notes**

I. For the purposes of this Scholarship, academic achievement for students enrolled in Part II is assessed as a Scholarships grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) obtained over the applicant’s first year of full-time graded study. For students enrolled in Part III or IV, academic achievement is assessed as the GPA/GPE obtained over the most recent two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent).

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

III. In making a recommendation for this Scholarship the Selection Committee shall take into account other scholarships, bursaries and awards held by the candidates, with a view of achieving a fair distribution of monies to qualifying candidates.

IV. Two further members of AUEA may be invited to attend the interviews, but the selection committee (as outlined in regulation 6) will make recommendation to the University of Auckland Council.

V. Awardees are required to submit a written report to the AUEA, approximately 6 months after notification of the award. The brief report shall update AUEA as to the particular engineering career path the awardee is undertaking and the benefit the awardee has gained from the award.

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 to assist the awardee with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.

VII. Recipients of an AUEA Ardmore Fund Undergraduate 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 AUEA Ardmore Fund Undergraduate Scholarship is not complying with these regulations, terminate the award and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.