Riley Consultants Ltd Civil Engineering Scholarship

Description

The Scholarship was established in 2005 and is funded by Riley Consultants Ltd, a New Zealand owned and operated, multi-disciplinary consultancy, providing a range of water, civil, geotechnical and environmental engineering services.

The main purpose of the Scholarship is to support the engineering profession by providing assistance to students undertaking a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) at the University of Auckland Waipapa Taumata Rau, with an interest in geotechnical, water resources or civil engineering.

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 Riley Consultants Ltd Civil Engineering Scholarship.
2. Up to two Scholarships will be awarded annually, for a period of up to two years, and will be of the value of up to $5,000 per annum each.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, an applicant must be i) a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand, ii) currently enrolled in Part II or Part III of a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) (BE(Hons)) degree in Civil Engineering in any Civil and Environmental discipline excluding Structural or Mechanical Engineering. A grade point average (GPA) or grade point equivalent (GPE) of at least 4.50 (4.00 for Māori and Pacific applicants) is required for Scholarship consideration.
4. The basis of selection will be academic achievement (see Note I), a demonstrated passion for civil and environmental engineering, leadership and teamwork qualities, and potential to contribute to the 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 the Head of the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (or nominee), a member of academic staff from the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, and a representative of Riley Consultants Ltd.

6. To be paid the Scholarship, awardees must be enrolled in Part II or Part III of a BE(Hons) in Civil Engineering, in any Civil and Environmental discipline excluding Structural or Mechanical Engineering.

7. The first instalment of the Scholarship will be paid in one annual lump sum upon award, the second instalment will be paid in Semester One of the following year, as soon as is practicable after confirmation of enrolment, (that is, after the final date on which a student may add or delete courses without incurring a late enrolment fee).

8. To be paid the second instalment, awardees must i) be enrolled in Part III of a BE(Hons) in Civil Engineering, in any Civil and Environmental discipline excluding Structural or Mechanical Engineering, and ii) have achieved a grade point average (GPA) of at least 4.00 (equivalent to a B- average) in the first year of the award.

9. 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.

10. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with Riley Consultants Ltd, has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Head of the Department of Civil and Environmental 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 Waipapa Taumata Rau, in consultation with Riley Consultants Ltd, has the power to amend or vary these Regulations provided that there is no departure from the main purpose the Scholarship.

13. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 3 May in the year of the award.

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

Notes

I. For the purpose of this Scholarship, academic achievement is assessed as a Scholarships GPA or GPE obtained over the candidate’s most recent two years of full-time graded study (or equivalent). Where a student is enrolled in their second year of study, the GPA/GPE will be obtained over all courses completed at the time of application.

II. Awardees may be invited to undertake one or two periods of summer work at Riley Consultants Ltd (location to be agreed at the time of the award).

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

IV. Payments under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax-free as long as they are used 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.

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 situation. The University of Auckland Waipapa Taumata Rau 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.