Tonkin + Taylor Scholarship

**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 be a contribution towards compulsory tuition fees in Part II, Part III and Part IV. The Scholarship will cover 50% of compulsory tuition fees at Part II level, 75% of compulsory tuition fees at Part III level and 100% of compulsory tuition fees at Part IV level. Fees related to conjoint subjects are excluded (see Note II).
3. The Scholarship may be awarded to a student 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) will not be eligible to apply.
4. The Scholarship is tenable by students who are New Zealand citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand.
5. The basis of selection will be academic merit as assessed by the grade point average (GPA) calculated over results for Part I of the BE(Hons), a written statement on ‘why civil engineering is important in today’s world and what you can contribute’, and a personal statement outlining the candidate’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. A minimum GPA of 5.00 is required for the Scholarship. Short-listed candidates may be required to attend an interview.

6. 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).

7. The Scholarship will be paid as a compulsory fees credit each semester or for a whole year where the subjects have been confirmed. To continue to hold the Scholarship, recipients must maintain a GPA of 5.00 (equivalent to a B average) in each semester of study based on all courses undertaken (see Note II).

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 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, in consultation with Tonkin + Taylor, has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of the recipient 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 in any year there is no candidate of sufficient merit.

11. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with Tonkin + Taylor, has the power to 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 6 April 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. Students holding this Scholarship 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 to assist the student with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.

V. Recipients of a Tonkin + Taylor 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. In consultation with Tonkin + Taylor, the University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that a recipient of a Tonkin + Taylor Scholarship is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.