

Laing O'Rourke Australia Indigenous Scholarship in Engineering

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Scholarship value and duration

\$15,000 tenable for 4 years.

Eligibility

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- Applicants must qualify and subsequently enrol into a Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical and Information Engineering or Project Management undergraduate program in the Faculty of Engineering and Information Technologies at the University of Sydney.
- Combined degree programs are not eligible.

For more information

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Selection criteria

- The Scholarship will be awarded on the basis of:
 - academic merit during their HSC or equivalent, and
 - a personal statement demonstrating personal qualities, leadership potential, extracurricular activities and community involvement.
- Shortlisted applicants may be required to attend an interview.
- The Scholarship will be awarded by a selection committee consisting of the Associate Dean (Education), an academic staff member of the Faculty of Engineering and IT, and a representative from the placement provider, or their nominated delegates.

Ongoing eligibility

- To continue receipt of the Scholarship, the recipient must maintain a minimum Semester Average Mark (SAM) of 65 each semester.
- Recipients must also enrol and successfully complete the following units of study during the degree:
 - ENGP1000,
 - ENGP2000, and
 - ENGP3000

Payment schedule

- Payment will be made after the census date.

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Terms and Conditions February 2018

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4. Value

- a. The Scholarship is valued at \$15,000 per annum and is tenable for 4 years.
- b. The Scholarship annual value will be paid in two equal instalments after the census date of each semester.
- c. Deferral of the Scholarship is not permitted without the prior permission of Associate Dean (Education) and it is not transferable to another University school, faculty or university.
- d. The Scholarship will be offered subject to the availability of funds.
- e. No other amount is payable.

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 - I. ENGP1000,
 - II. ENGP2000, and
 - III. ENGP3000

6. Duration and Timing

- a. The professional experience that forms part of this Scholarship must be completed in accordance with the following schedule:
 - I. At the end of year one of the degree, four weeks between December and February,
 - II. At the end of year two of the degree, four weeks between December and February, and
 - III. At the end of year three of the degree, six weeks between December and February.
- b. The above schedule can only be amended upon agreement with the recipient, University and funder/professional experience provider.
- c. The Placement does not create an employment relationship between any of the participating parties, nor does it create any future employment relationship.
- d. In the event that the placement provider provides payment for the placement undertaken with them, this shall be negotiated and managed directly between the Scholarship recipient and the placement provider.

7. Termination

- a. The Scholarship will be terminated if the recipient:
 - I. withdraws from an eligible course or fails to enrol,
 - II. withdraws or does not complete/meet the requirements of ENGP1000, ENG2000 and ENGP3000,
 - III. withdraws or does not meet the requirements of their placement,
 - IV. commences part-time study without prior approval,
 - V. does not maintain satisfactory academic performance,
 - VI. is determined by the University to be guilty of serious misconduct, including, but not limited to, having provided false or misleading information as part of their Scholarship application,
 - VII. is awarded an alternative primary scholarship. In such circumstances this scholarship will be terminated in favour of the alternative scholarship where the alternative scholarship is of higher value,
 - VIII. does not resume study at the end of a period of approved leave, or
 - IX. any other provision as indicated in these terms that would lead to termination.
- b. Once the Scholarship has been terminated, it will not be reinstated.
- c. Where a student is found guilty of serious misconduct or withdraws from the relevant course, the University reserves the right to request that any Scholarship funds paid to the Scholarship recipient be reimbursed.

8. Confidentiality, Intellectual Property and Insurance.

- a. This will be covered within the relevant Placement Deed Poll Agreement.