2degrees ICT Scholarship

REGULATIONS 2015

2degrees entered New Zealand’s telecommunications market in 2009, providing new and dynamic products and services and innovative plans that are fundamentally reshaping the New Zealand mobile market. The University of Waikato and 2degrees have developed a partnership to mutually support and advance our services for staff and students. 2degrees is offering scholarships as part of their commitment to grow and support the next generation of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) experts.

1. Purpose

1.1. The Scholarship will be awarded to full-time students of the University of Waikato who are studying towards a Bachelors or Bachelors with Honours in an ICT related area in 2015.

2. Eligibility

2.1. To be eligible, candidates must;
   a) be enrolling in the second or subsequent years of fulltime study towards a Bachelors or Bachelors with Honours in an ICT related area,
   b) have been enrolled fulltime for at least one year at the University of Waikato in the year preceding their application,

3. Value

3.1. The Scholarship will have a value of up to $5,000 and be tenable for one year.

3.2. The scholarship will be paid in two instalments of $2500, the first in A semester and the second upon commencement of B semester (conditional on the recipient passing all A semester papers).

4. Application

4.1. The closing date for applications is 9 February 2015.

4.2. Along with the prescribed application form, each applicant must submit:
   a) A one page statement which outlines their interest in ICT and their commitment to the ICT industry in New Zealand
   b) A brief statement of not more than one page outlining their financial circumstances
   c) A CV of no more than two pages in length
   d) One reference in support of the application

4.3. Applicants may be required to attend an interview
5. Selection Criteria

5.1. Scholarships are awarded on academic merit and financial need. It is expected that applicants will have a minimum grade point average of B+ in your previous 120 points of study.

6. Selection Panel

6.1. The Selection Panel will include two representatives of 2degrees, an academic staff member in the field of ICT (as nominated by the Dean of Computing and Mathematical Sciences), and the Group Manager Student Careers and Graduate Development.

6.2. The Selection Panel may refrain from making a recommendation if it finds no candidate of sufficient merit.

6.3. The Selection Panel's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into following the selection meeting.

7. Awarding

7.1. The successful applicants will be offered the Scholarship on condition that they remain enrolled fulltime in an appropriate programme of study in the year of tenure.

7.2. The Scholarship will have a maximum tenure of one year.

7.3. Successful applicants will be advised of the offer of a Scholarship in writing and must advise the University's Scholarships Office of their acceptance of the offer by the prescribed date. If the candidate fails to accept the Scholarship within the specified time, the offer will lapse.

8. Other Conditions

8.1. The Scholarship may be held together with any bursary, prize or student allowance, unless the conditions of the other award preclude this.

8.2. The Scholarships Committee may terminate a Scholarship at any time if it is not satisfied that the holder is following the approved programme of study or is not otherwise complying with the conditions governing the Scholarship or the University of Waikato. The holder of a Scholarship shall have the right to appeal to the Education Committee against any decision to terminate the Scholarship.

8.3. By accepting a Scholarship, the recipient agrees to participate in any publicity concerning the Scholarship arranged by the University of Waikato or 2degrees.

8.4. With the consent of 2degrees, the University may from time to time vary these regulations.