Energy Education Trust of New Zealand

BACKGROUND

The Energy Education Trust Undergraduate Scholarship was established by the Energy Education Trust of New Zealand to assist students to undertake full-time study in the fields of science, economics or engineering and related fields but with a specific interest in energy as it relates to the energy needs of New Zealand.

1. Purpose

1.1. The Energy Education Trust Undergraduate Scholarship will be awarded annually to assist students to undertake full-time study at the University of Waikato in the fields of science, economics or engineering and related fields with specific interests in energy matters.

2. Eligibility

2.1. To be eligible, candidates must:
   a) be enrolled full-time at any level between (and including) first and honours year of relevant university study (see clause 1.1)
   b) be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand

3. Value

3.1. The value of the scholarship will be $5,000 for one year.

3.2. The Scholarship will normally be paid in one lump sum in the month immediately following selection.

3.3. It is expected that the Scholarship will be used to defray course-related expenses.

4. Application

4.1. The closing dates for applications is 4 April 2018.

4.2. From the list of candidates, the Selection Panel will short-list and select candidates to attend an interview.

4.3. Along with the prescribed application form, each applicant must submit:
   a) A maximum two-page personal statement that includes the following subheadings:
      ♦ Evidence of interest in energy matters as they relate to the needs of New Zealand
      ♦ Relevance of programme of study to this scholarship
      ♦ Future study and employment plans
      ♦ Community Involvement
   b) two confidential references.
4.4 Applicants new to the University of Waikato must supply transcripts of previous study.

4.5 Applicants who have studied at another tertiary institution must supply verified copies of their academic transcripts.

4.6 Applicants who are new to tertiary study must supply a copy of their Level 3 NCEA Record of Learning.

4.7 Past recipients who still meet the eligibility criteria may reapply in subsequent years.

5. Selection Criteria

5.1 When assessing applications, the Panel will take into consideration academic results, demonstrated interest in energy, the relevance of the current programme of study and future study and employment plans. The desire to succeed and involvement in the community may also be considered.

6. Selection Panel

6.1 The Selection Panel will comprise of two representatives from the Energy Education Trust, and a member of the University's academic staff, with expertise in the energy sector.

6.2 All shortlisted applicants will be required to attend an interview at the University of Waikato Hamilton Campus.

6.3 The Selection Panel may contact referees, on a confidential basis, for further relevant information. The University may not divulge details to applicants about the content of such confidential references without the written authorisation of these referees.

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

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

7. Awarding

7.1 The Scholarship shall be awarded each year by the Energy Education Trust and all offer documents and payments for any University of Waikato recipients will be administered through the School of Graduate Research at the University of Waikato.

8. Other Conditions

8.1 The Scholarship may be held together with any scholarship, award, unless the conditions of the other preclude this.

8.2 The offer of a Scholarship must be accepted by the date indicated in the letter of offer. If an applicant declines a Scholarship, or does not take it up, the Selection Panel may offer the Scholarship to another applicant.

8.3 The Scholarships Committee, may on the Trust’s behalf, terminate a Scholarship at any time and recoup funds awarded, if it is not satisfied that the recipient is following the required programme or is not otherwise complying with the conditions governing the Scholarship and/or the regulations of the University of Waikato.

8.4 The holder of a Scholarship shall have the right to appeal to the Education Committee against any decision to terminate the Scholarship.
8.5. By accepting the offer of a Scholarship, the recipient agrees to participate in any publicity concerning the Scholarship arranged by the sponsor and/or the University of Waikato.

8.6. The recipient also agree to their contact details being passed on to the organisers of seminars, summer schools, conferences and presentations on energy-related matters and current developments in the sector.

8.7. In signing and returning the acceptance form, the recipient will be deemed to have read, understood, and accepted the terms and conditions of the Scholarship.