

The AusIMM Education Endowment Fund Scholarships Operational Guidelines 2009

Scholarships

1. The scholarships shall be known as The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (The AusIMM) Education Endowment Fund (EEF) Scholarships.
2. A "Company Naming Right" will be attached to each scholarship. Companies that have made major donations to The AusIMM Education Endowment Fund are allocated Scholarship Naming Rights.
3. The scholarships shall be awarded annually by The AusIMM EEF on the recommendation of the EEF National Scholarship Committee. The Committee shall pass its recommendations to the Trustees of the EEF.
4. The Scholarships are of maximum three-year tenure.
5. The value of the scholarships in 2008 was \$8,000 per annum and \$14, 000 per annum for Sir Frank Espie/Rio Tinto Premium Scholarships. This value may change in 2009 depending on the financial circumstances of the EEF.
6. The scholarship will be paid in four payments at the beginning of each academic semester over the two-year or three-year period. Each payment will be made once the student has completed enrolment and provided proof that they have received at least a credit-level average grade (marks in excess of 65 per cent) and failed no subjects. This proof must be in the form of an original official transcript or a certified copy, and enrolment advice.

Eligibility

1. Applicants must be students who are studying in one of the following in 2009:
 - a. entering into their penultimate or final year of study in an AusIMM recognised undergraduate degree at an Australian University. Details of AusIMM Recognised Courses are available at http://www.ausimm.com.au/Content/docs/recognised_programs70508.pdf.
 - b. entering their penultimate or final year of a Bachelor of Engineering, Chemical Engineering course at an Australian tertiary institution.
 - c. entering into their second year of an engineering course, following a common first year, and specialising in environmental engineering, metallurgical engineering, or mining engineering.
2. Scholarship holders must be Australian citizens or students with a permanent resident visa status.
3. Whilst Scholarship holders may not concurrently hold another **major** scholarship, this does not exclude them from submitting an application. The final decision will be made by the EEF National Scholarship Committee.

Expectations for scholarship holders

1. Scholarship holders must apply for Student membership of The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and maintain membership during the tenure of their scholarship.
2. A student who has been awarded a Scholarship can expect to retain it for the two or three-year period specified as long as full-time enrolment within the minerals industry related course is maintained.
3. A Credit level average grade (marks in excess of 65 percent and no subjects failed) for the previous semester must be achieved in order for payment facilitation. The Director of the Fund, on behalf of the EEF Trustees, may exercise discretion in the event that a request for special consideration because of exceptional adverse circumstances is received on behalf of any scholarship recipient who may not quite achieve the required average grade.
4. A student may defer a scholarship once only for a maximum of one year.
5. A student may carry a Scholarship if enrolment is transferred to the same or any other AusIMM Recognised minerals industry related course at another Australian University.
6. Scholarship may be cancelled should any recipient be involved in unethical practices or exhibit unprofessional conduct at any time during the tenure of the scholarship.