2020 - JDSi Consulting Engineers Indigenous Scholarship

Status: **Closed**
Applications open: 14/10/2019
Applications close: 6/03/2020

About this scholarship

Description/Applicant information
The JDSi Consulting Engineers Indigenous Scholarship has been developed by JDSi Consulting Engineers in conjunction with Curtin University to encourage and support Indigenous students studying Science and Engineering. Students from regional and remote areas of Western Australia are encouraged to apply.

Student type
- Current Students
- Future Students

Faculty
- Faculty of Science & Engineering
  - Science courses
  - Engineering courses
  - Western Australian School of Mines (WASM)

Course type
- Undergraduate

Specifically for
- Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Students

Citizenship
- Australian Citizen

Scholarship base
- Merit Based

Value
The JDSi Consulting Engineers Indigenous Scholarship will provide the following support for up to one year (based on a full-time study load of 100 credits per semester):

- A total value of up to $5,150 paid as a cash stipend of $2,575 per semester. The amount can be used at the recipient’s discretion to contribute towards educational related expenses such as text books and/or general living expenses.

Scholarship Details

Eligible courses
- All Science or Engineering undergraduate or postgraduate coursework degrees
  Preference given to Bachelor of Engineering (Civil & Construction Engineering)

Eligibility criteria
Applicants must meet ALL of the following criteria to be eligible to apply for the JDSi Consulting Engineers Indigenous Scholarship:

- Indigenous Australian
- Enrolled or enrolling into a Science or Engineering Undergraduate or Postgraduate Coursework degree at Curtin University
- Enrolled in full-time or part-time study
- Have a minimum CWA of 60 (if applicable)
Enrolment requirements
Recipients must meet ALL of the following:
- Remain enrolled in initial course of study
- Maintain a full-time or part-time study load
- Maintain a course weighted average (CWA) of at least 60 each study period
- Pass all units attempted each study period

Changes to Enrolment
If a recipient intends to change their enrolment, they must also apply in writing to the Scholarships Office (scholarships@curtin.edu.au) for approval BEFORE the change. The Scholarships Office will advise how the change will affect their scholarship.

Withdrawal or Terminated from units or course: A recipient who withdraws from their units or course of study, or has been terminated from their studies will become ineligible for the continuation of the scholarship, will not receive any further payments and will be required to repay to Curtin University the stipend awarded for that study period if applicable.

Cancellation of Scholarship: Notwithstanding any provision above, Curtin reserves the rights, at its sole discretion, to cancel the award of, or continuity of, the scholarship where the sponsor ceases to fund the scholarship.

How to apply

Application process

Step 1: Access application form
- Application form can be accessed via the ‘My Studies’ tab in OASIS or via the ‘Apply Online’ button on the top right-hand side of this page

Step 2: Complete
- Complete the application form online
- Application form can be saved at any point of the process
- Multiple scholarships can be applied for at one time
- Tips on how to complete your application can be found on the ‘Applying for scholarships’ link on the scholarships website

Step 3: Submit
- Closing date is listed at the top of the page and within the Scholarships Channel on OASIS
- Incomplete applications will not be assessed
- Once submitted, application status will change to submitted

Step 4: Receipt
- Application receipt will be sent to student email once application has been submitted

Step 5: Assessment
- Applications will be assessed by an assessment panel using the following criteria:
  - Responses to questions in application form
  - Academic merit
  - Preference to be given to regional and remote students
  - Preference given to Bachelor of engineering (Civil and Construction)
  - Interview performance (for shortlisted applicants)

Step 6: Shortlist for Interview
- Shortlisted applicants will be sent an interview date and time via their student email.
- Shortlisted applicants must be available for the designated interview time
  - Interviews will be scheduled between 30 March - 10 April 2020
- Unsuccessful applicants will be sent a notification via the Scholarship Channel (Student OASIS)

Step 7: Outcome
- Successful and unsuccessful interview applicants will be notified of their outcome via the Scholarship Channel (Student OASIS) within approximately two weeks of the interview date

Step 8: Acceptance
- Successful applicants must accept the terms and conditions via the Scholarship Channel (Student OASIS) by the deadline
Please note:
- Scholarship will be awarded if there are applicants of sufficient merit
Scholarship will commence from the semester of study for which the scholarship was awarded
Scholarship is not transferable to another major, course or university
The award and continuity of the scholarship is subject to receipt by Curtin of the scholarship funding from the scholarship sponsor

Need more information?

Enquiries
Scholarships Office
E: scholarships@curtin.edu.au
T: (08) 9266 2992
Visit our Frequently Asked Questions

Further information
Tips on how to complete your application can be found under the Applying for scholarships link on the scholarships website.

Holding more than one non-Curtin scholarship
Students may apply for as many scholarships as they are eligible for, and if successful, will be awarded the highest value scholarship. Students cannot hold more than one non-Curtin funded scholarship. If students are successful in receiving an offer for more than one scholarship valued the same, or they are successful for more than one non-Curtin funded scholarship, they will have the opportunity to select their preferred scholarship.
For further information about holding more than one scholarship contact the Scholarships Office.
Find out how to prepare for an interview.

Centrelink
For advice on your Centrelink payments and how your scholarship could affect your payment please see Department of Human Services or contact a Centrelink Office. If you require a letter about your scholarship for Centrelink, please contact the Scholarships Office.

Taxation
Generally scholarship money paid to full-time students is not treated as taxable income, however if your study load is less than 75 credits (part-time) your scholarship money is not tax exempt. Other than the full-time study requirement, the general rule is that scholarships are exempt from taxation unless:

- It is a condition of the scholarship that a recipient is required to undertake activities that are of use, help or benefit to the scholarship provider - then the student is rendering a service by agreeing to undertake those activities;
- An award is received by a student where the scholarship is not provided principally for educational purposes.
- During or upon completion of the degree for which the scholarship is awarded a recipient is required to become, or shall continue to be, an employee of the funding body; or

The Australian Tax Office has a tool to help you determine if your scholarship is taxable. For expert advice please contact the Australian Taxation Office or your accountant when completing your annual Tax Return. If a letter regarding your scholarship is required for taxation purposes, please contact the Scholarships Office.