

# Scholarship Assistance available via GNS Application Form

## GNS Science, Te Pū Ao

The name *Te Pū Ao* was gifted to GNS Science by kaumatua, Wiremu Tāwhai, of Te Whānau-ā-Apanui. The name reflects the very deepest origins of our world. It was gifted in specific recognition of the core work GNS undertakes to better understand our world, its origins, and its ever-changing essence.

Their vision is to seek to create a cleaner, safer, more prosperous future for Aotearoa New Zealand.

Their purpose is to undertake research that:

- Increases Aotearoa New Zealand's resilience to natural hazards;
- Enhances our understanding of geological and Earth-system processes;
- Drives innovation and sustainable economic growth in our energy sector; and
- Develops new materials, products and approaches to assist other agencies with sustainable management of risk, environment and natural Earth and groundwater resources.

## GNS Science, Te Pū Ao Scholarship Information / Criteria

This scholarship includes Tuition fees and course related costs including travel to the value of \$12,500 per student per year. Administration and payment of the scholarship will be managed and disbursed at the discretion of WITT Te Pūkenga.

**To be eligible for an GNS Science Engineering scholarship you must meet all of the following criteria:**

- Must be a current or prospective fulltime New Zealand Diploma in Engineering or Bachelor of Engineering Technology Civil/Mechanical student; prospective students must meet the programme entry criteria
- Must be able to participate in summer internships/mentorships within GNS or suggested stakeholders within Taranaki
- Must be able to conduct research with GNS related to Energy projects and aligned with the aims of Aotearoa
- To retain their scholarship, recipients are required to pass all of their subjects each trimester
- Once a scholarship has been awarded any changes to the recipient's enrolment, including changes to programmes, holds, delays or any other alterations may result in forfeiture of the scholarship. Continuation of the scholarship, or part thereof, is solely at the discretion of the NZIHT Scholarship committee.
- Be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident at the time of application
- Be available to attend an interview with WITT /GNS staff
- Commit to a minimum attendance requirement that may apply

## Application Process

- Please submit your application with the supporting documents to the Bec Benfield ([b.benfield@witt.ac.nz](mailto:b.benfield@witt.ac.nz)), ph:06 759 7065 at NZIHT by **17 February 2023**.
- All applicants will be notified by NZIHT by the end of February 2023.

## Application Checklist

Please ensure the following is enclosed with your application and submitted to the **Bec Benfield** by 17 February 2023:

- ☐ Completed and signed application form.
- ☐ A record of learning of the completed first and/or second years (if applicable).
- ☐ A supporting statement from Kyle Hall, School Director, NZIHT Engineering Energy & Infrastructure. Please email Bec ([b.benfield@witt.ac.nz](mailto:b.benfield@witt.ac.nz)) to arrange this.
- ☐ If successful, the applicant agrees to submit a short, written progress report by the end of the Academic Year.

## SECTION A – APPLICANT INFORMATION

<b>Full Name:</b>		
<b>Title:</b>		
<b>Preferred Name:</b>		
<b>Date of Birth:</b>		
<b>Address:</b>		
<b>Phone:</b>	Daytime:	Mobile:
<b>Email Address:</b>		
<b>Name of Secondary School</b>		
<b>Dates Attended:</b>		

If not educated in Taranaki, please state your personal link to Taranaki:

## SECTION B – APPLICATION STATEMENTS

1. Please provide a brief statement as to why you should be chosen as the scholarship recipient.

2. What would receiving this scholarship mean to you?

3. Do you have any other information about yourself that you think would be helpful for us to know?

## SECTION C – APPLICANT DECLARATION

- I meet all the eligibility criteria as outlined above.
- I give permission to GNS to make independent confidential inquiries relating to my application.
- If successful I authorise GNS to use my name/photograph for publicity purposes, including on their website and social media.
- If successful I agree to advise GNS if I am unable to complete the course within 12 months of receiving the scholarship, I understand that under these circumstances I may be asked to repay the value of the scholarship.
- I declare that the information contained in this application is true and factual.
- It is acknowledged that any decision made by GNS is final and we accept that no reasons for such a decision may be given, nor any correspondence entered into. Once a scholarship has been awarded any changes to the recipient's enrolment, including changes to programmes, holds, delays or any other alterations may result in forfeiture of the scholarship. Continuation of the scholarship, or part thereof, is solely at the discretion of the WITT Te Pūkenga Scholarship committee.
- WITT Te Pūkenga may, at any time, suspend or terminate the scholarship, or require the forfeiture of such proportion of the scholarship as WITT Te Pūkenga may determine, if it is not satisfied that the recipient is enrolled and studying full-time, full-year, and diligently pursuing a full-time, full-year programme or if the recipient has brought WITT Te Pūkenga into disrepute.
- Upon the termination of a student's enrolment for any reason, his or her withdrawal, or stopping study, entitlement to scholarship funding shall be cancelled. In such circumstances, WITT Te Pūkenga may also require repayment (in part or full) of any scholarship payments already made.

<b>Full Name of Applicant</b>			
<b>Signature</b>		<b>Date</b>	