Chemical and Process Engineering PhD Scholarship

A PhD Scholarship is available to support a student towards the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the University of Canterbury within the Department of Chemical and Process Engineering (CAPE). This scholarship is available for any research project, although it is expected that the research project will be developed in collaboration with an academic supervisor from the Department of Chemical and Process Engineering.

Conditions of Eligibility

1. Applicants wishing to apply for this scholarship would normally have one of the following:
   - A Bachelor’s degree (in Engineering, Technology or Science) with 1st or 2nd class honours
   - A Master’s degree (in Engineering, Technology or Science)
2. Applicants must also have met the UC English language requirements prior to applying for this scholarship.

Value

The value of the scholarship shall be $15,000 per annum (for a maximum of 3 years). In addition to this, the scholarship covers tuition fees for the thesis enrolment for the term of the scholarship.

Application process

Applications should be sent to pgstudy@cape.canterbury.ac.nz by 3rd April 2015

Each application shall include:

1. A copy of the candidate’s academic record
2. A statement of the proposed research project (max 1 page)
   Note that the proposed research project will often be still in development and so details included in the initial application may be tentative. Proposals should be developed in consultation with the proposed supervisor.
3. The support from the proposed supervisor (e.g. a copy of an email from the supervisor)
4. The contact details of two referees who can be contacted directly by the Department

Selection and Criteria

The Department shall take into account:

1. Academic Achievement
2. Quality of the institution and programme pertaining to the candidate’s qualifying degree.
3. Prior research experience (e.g. research publications)
4. Support from the department or University, including supervision and resources
5. Additional strategic criteria as determined by the Department

The Department may invite some candidates for a short interview (either in person or via video conference). The selection process will be completed by 17 April 2015, and the Department’s decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into following the selection meeting.
Termination
The Department may at any time suspend or terminate any scholarship payments if the Department is satisfied that the scholar is not diligently pursuing the agreed research programme or has failed to comply with any of the terms and conditions on which the scholarship was awarded; and a scholarship shall be terminated and no further payments shall be made if a scholar ceases to pursue the agreed programme.

Additional conditions
1. The PhD student shall normally be required to devote their whole time during the tenure of the award to their research programme but may undertake a limited amount of teaching or laboratory demonstration within the Department of Chemical and Process Engineering as determined on a case-by-case basis. Scholars may be absent for up to four weeks per year for activities not related to their study.
2. The scholar must comply with the regulations for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the University of Canterbury.
3. Award holders may hold other scholarships, awards or prizes as determined by the Department on a case-by-case basis.