

# Transpower Scholarship for Women in Engineering

## Regulations

### Key Information

<b>Closing date</b>	31 March
<b>Value</b>	Tuition fees to a value of \$5,000
<b>Tenure</b>	One year
<b>Number available annually</b>	One
<b>Applicable programmes during tenure</b>	Applicants must be enrolled in a Professional Year of any programme for a BE(Hons) degree and in at least one of the <a href="#">courses specifically required for a minor in Power Engineering</a> for the Electrical and Electronic Engineering specialisation. <sup>1</sup>
<b>Citizenship/residency and other requirements</b>	Applicants must be female, and citizens of New Zealand or holders of New Zealand residence class visas.
<b>Co-tenability restrictions</b>	See clause 6.

### 1. Purpose

The scholarship supports women who are studying undergraduate Power Engineering in the School of Engineering at the University of Canterbury. Transpower established the scholarship in 2018 to encourage more women to enter the New Zealand electricity industry.

Transpower operates at the very heart of the New Zealand economy, providing connections that power our way of life. It is trusted with the stewardship of the National Grid and the complex job of operating the New Zealand power system. Electricity is an attractive, versatile, and low-carbon fuel that will continue to be in demand, but the electricity industry faces challenges and changes ahead – new technologies are emerging and the industry is evolving. The electricity industry needs a broad range of skilled people from diverse backgrounds to meet these challenges and navigate these changes. Diverse thinking can drive innovation, create better solutions, and better serve the wide-ranging needs of the New Zealand population. (This purpose statement was provided by the sponsor.)

### 2. Eligibility criteria

2.1 Applicants must be female and citizens of New Zealand or holders of New Zealand residence class visas.

2.2 Applicants must be enrolled, full-time or part-time, in:

a.a Professional Year of a programme for a Bachelor of Engineering with Honours degree.; and

b. at least one of the [courses specifically required for a minor in Power Engineering](#) for the Electrical and Electronic Engineering specialisation.<sup>1</sup>

2.3 Applicants who are not enrolled in the First Professional Year by Direct Entry must have achieved an average GPA of at least 6.0 (B+ grade) in their most recent year of university study.

### 3. Selection process

The scholarship is awarded by the Council of the University on the recommendation of a selection committee comprising:

- a. the Head of the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering (or nominee); and
- b. a representative of Transpower.

### 4. Selection criteria

4.1 In making the recommendation, the committee, will consider:

- a. academic achievement;
- b. leadership potential; and
- c. commitment to a contribution to the electric power engineering industry.

4.2 Preference will be given to applicants who have not previously held the scholarship.

4.3 If, in any year, there is no candidate of sufficient merit, no scholarship will be awarded.

### 5. Application process

5.1 Applications must be made online at the [Scholarships website](#)<sup>2</sup> by 31 March.

5.2 Applications will be accepted from previous holders of the scholarship.

### 6. Co-tenability restrictions

The scholarship is not co-tenable with any other scholarship that is funded by the electric power industry, with the exception of any award funded by the Electric Power Engineering Centre or the Power Engineering Excellence Trust. It is co-tenable with any other award unless the conditions of the other award preclude this.

### 7. Payment schedule

The scholarship will be paid to the recipient's tuition fees account.

### 8. Conditions of acceptance

8.1 The scholarship must be taken up in the year of application.

8.2 Unless otherwise specified in the offer letter, an offer of a scholarship will lapse if it is not formally accepted within one calendar month of the date of the offer.

8.3 In the event of a recipient's withdrawal from enrolment at the University such that she is no longer enrolled in a programme for a Bachelor of Engineering with Honours degree and in at least one of the [courses specifically required for a minor in Power Engineering](#) for the Electrical and Electronic Engineering specialisation, the scholarship will be withdrawn, and any paid funds may be recovered.

8.4 By accepting the award, recipients permit publication and announcement of their acceptance.

8.5 Continuation of a scholarship is conditional on academic progress and adherence to the University's statutes and regulations that are to the satisfaction of the University.

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### Notes

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<sup>1</sup> For a list of the courses see <http://www.canterbury.ac.nz/regulations/academic-regulations/be-hons--208/be-hons--212/>

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.canterbury.ac.nz/scholarships/>