CVEN ELITE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (CVEN-ESP)

The School of Civil and Environmental Engineering seeks to provide opportunities for our top-performing undergraduate students to engage and participate in current and leading-edge research activities across the School. Eligible members of the UNSW Faculty of Engineering ‘Elite Students Program’ can apply for the award of a tax exempt allowance to work with an academic supervisor (by mutual agreement) of their choice, focusing on a research project that may be initiated by the student, or that compliments an existing research program underway within the School.

ELIGIBILITY:

- You are a member of UNSW Engineering Faculty’s Elite Student Program (WAM ≥ 85)
- You will be enrolled in an undergraduate program within the UNSW School of Civil and Environmental Engineering (CVEN)
- The CVEN Elite Scholarships are targeted at 2nd and 3rd year students (or equivalent) and cannot be held while you are undertaking your Honours Thesis
- You are eligible for one (1) CVEN Elite Scholarship during your undergraduate studies at UNSW
- You may be a local or international student
- You must submit your application by the due date to the School Office (attention: Carolin Birk)

TENURE AND BENEFITS:

- Students may elect to take up their CVEN Elite Scholarship on a full-time basis (35 hours per week) for a period of 12 working weeks over the summer, or on a part-time basis spanning session 1 and session 2 (17.5 hours per week) for a total of 24 weeks.
- $6,000 tax-free stipend
- The CVEN Elite Student Scholarship may be used toward Industrial Training requirements.
- The CVEN Elite Student Scholarship may be converted to an ongoing scholarship, provided that the student has demonstrated outstanding performance and commits to continuing involvement in related research activities on a part-time basis. The extension of the CVEN Elite Student Scholarship is conditional on the supervisor making a case and on the Head of School’s approval.
- Recipients of CVEN Elite Student Scholarships that subsequently enrol in a postgraduate research program within the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering and who are successful in obtaining a UNSW Postgraduate Research Scholarship will receive a top-up scholarship of $10,000 per annum.

STUDENT/SUPERVISOR COMMITMENT:

- At the completion of the period of Scholarship tenure, the student will be required to submit to the Head of School a detailed report describing their research and outcomes, and to present a seminar in the School’s monthly research seminar series.
- The supervisor will make available to the student the materials and resources necessary to complete their project. Upon project completion the supervisor will confirm in writing to the Head of School that the student has completed the required 420 hours total commitment.
HOW TO APPLY:

- Interested students should discuss their interest in taking up this opportunity with any full-time teaching academic within the School. Students may propose their own research topic, seek ideas from academics in their area of interest, or approach potential supervisors to discuss the joint development of a suitable area of research.

- Complete and submit the attached CVEN Elite Scholarship Program (CVEN-ESP) application

- Applications for Summer 2014-2015 (full-time) close 30th September 2014. Applications for S1 & S2 2015 (part-time) close 31st January 2015. Students will be notified of the outcome of their application approximately 2 weeks after the closing date.

FURTHER INFORMATION:

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APPLICATION COVERSHEET
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STUDENT NAME:.............................................................................................................

STUDENT NUMBER:..............................................

PROPOSED RESEARCH TOPIC (1 – 2 sentence summary):
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PLEASE ATTACH A MORE DETAILED ONE-PAGE DESCRIPTION OF YOUR PROPOSED
RESEARCH PROJECT, INDICATIVE METHODOLOGY AND ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES.

COMMENCING YEAR:......................

Preferred mode:
- Full-time (12 weeks @ 35 hours per week) ❑
- Part-time (24 weeks @ 17.5 hours per week) ❑ (tick box)

SUPERVISOR NAME:.............................................................................................................

I agree to supervise the above student to undertake the nominated research project as per the
conditions of the CVEN Elite Scholarship Program. The materials and resources necessary to
complete the project will be made available to the student. At the completion of the scholarship
tenure I will provide written confirmation to the Head of School that the student has undertaken
420 hours total work on their project.

Supervisor Signature: ................................................       Date: ...................................

Office use only: eligibility checked ❑       comment: