

# University of Auckland-Indian Institute of Technology

## Doctoral Scholarship in Engineering

<b>Code:</b>	1069
<b>Faculty:</b>	Engineering
<b>Applicable study:</b>	PhD in Engineering in partnership with an IIT
<b>Closing date:</b>	By nomination
<b>Tenure:</b>	Up to 36 months
<b>For:</b>	Assistance with study
<b>Number on offer:</b>	Varies
<b>Offer rate:</b>	Annually
<b>Value:</b>	Up to \$25,000 pa stipend for up to 24 months, plus compulsory domestic PhD fees and international health insurance (if required) for up to 36 months

### Description

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The Scholarship was established in 2020 and is funded by the Faculty of Engineering.

The intention of the Scholarship is to support doctoral students studying under a University of Auckland-Indian Institute of Technology Dual, Joint or Cotutelle PhD Agreement, on an agreed topic in the Faculty of Engineering at the University of Auckland.

### Selection process

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- Nomination is made to the Scholarships Office
- The Scholarship is awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

### Regulations

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1. The Scholarship will be known as the University of Auckland-Indian Institute of Technology Doctoral Scholarship in Engineering.
2. The Scholarship will comprise a stipend of up to \$25,000 for up to 24 months paid in fortnightly instalments while the recipient is undertaking their PhD study in New Zealand. In addition, compulsory fees will be covered for up to 36 months for all international students who are eligible to study under the domestic fees policy. International students will also receive compulsory international student health insurance during their studies in New Zealand (see Notes I and II).
3. Students will be considered for a University of Auckland-Indian Institute of Technology Doctoral Scholarship in Engineering at the time of application for a Dual, Joint or Cotutelle University of Auckland-Indian Institute of Technology PhD programme. Students who have already begun their doctoral programme at the University of Auckland are not eligible for consideration for a University of Auckland-Indian Institute of Technology Doctoral Scholarship in Engineering.

4. The Scholarship is tenable by full-time international students who are eligible to pay domestic fees (see Note II).
5. In order to be eligible for scholarship consideration, a candidate must have a grade point equivalent (GPE) of 7.50 or above in their most recent qualifying programme for doctoral study. Where a qualifying programme is entirely pass/fail, the University may generate a GPE only where the programme consists entirely of a thesis (see Notes III and IV).
6. The basis of selection will be academic merit. Matters that may be considered in relation to academic merit include, but are not limited to, the candidate's performance in their most recent qualifying programme for doctoral study and any coursework undertaken in their IIT PhD programme, academic references, CV, research and publication record, and the standing of the institution at which the qualifying programme was completed (see Note IV).
7. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council upon the recommendation of a Selection Committee comprising the Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Engineering (or nominee), the Associate Dean (Postgraduate Research) of the Faculty of Engineering (or nominee), and the Associate Dean (International) of the Faculty of Engineering (or nominee)
8. Students will be required to enrol within six months of the date of their unconditional programme offer, otherwise the scholarship offer will lapse. Awardees must also meet all requirements of their admission and scholarship offer before any payments will be made (see Note V).
9. Payment of the stipend will commence no earlier than the date of enrolment at the University of Auckland and will only be made while the awardee is in New Zealand.
10. To comply with the full-time study requirement in Regulation 4, the amount of additional and paid work a Scholar may undertake either inside or outside the University shall not exceed a total of 500 hours per scholarship year (see Note IX).
11. The University of Auckland-Indian Institute of Technology Doctoral Scholarship in Engineering may not be held concurrently with a University of Auckland Doctoral Scholarship or with any other New Zealand government or foreign government-funded scholarships or grants that are held while the awardee is in New Zealand. However, it may be held with any other study award or grant where the regulations for that award or grant permit, and where the University of Auckland Council so approves, up to an additional maximum of 50% of the stipend value of the University of Auckland-Indian Institute of Technology Doctoral Scholarship in Engineering. If the value of the co-tenured scholarship exceeds 50% of the University of Auckland-Indian Institute of Technology Doctoral Scholarship in Engineering stipend value, the emolument for the University of Auckland-Indian Institute of Technology Doctoral Scholarship in Engineering will be reduced to limit the additional co-tenured stipend value to 50% of the University of Auckland-Indian Institute of Technology Doctoral Scholarship in Engineering stipend value.
12. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the donor, has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Associate Dean (Postgraduate Research) of the Faculty of Engineering.
13. The University of Auckland Council has the power to amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the Faculty of Engineering, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
14. Notes [I] – [IX] below are deemed to be Regulations.

## Notes

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- I. *Compulsory fees are those only related to the relevant Doctoral study, plus Student Services Fee. In addition, for international students, the single student Health Insurance compulsory charge (as detailed on the tuition fees invoice) is covered by the Scholarship for up to 24 months, while the Scholar is in New Zealand.*
- II. *To be eligible to pay domestic PhD fees, recipients who are international students may only be resident outside of New Zealand for a maximum total of twelve months over the period of their enrolment in their doctoral degree and only for the purposes of conducting research.*
- III. *Where the qualifying programme is an undergraduate honours degree (or equivalent undergraduate degree or integrated undergraduate and postgraduate degree), the grade point average or equivalent will be calculated over the final two years of full-time study (or equivalent) in the programme. In the case of conjoint degrees, the qualifying*

- programme is the component degree that is relevant to the proposed doctoral study. In all other cases, the grade point average or equivalent will be calculated over the entirety of the qualifying programme.*
- IV. To be deemed a qualifying programme for the PhD for the purposes of scholarship consideration under Note III of these regulations, an individual programme must satisfy the admission requirements of the PhD Statute.*
  - V. Where exceptional circumstances exist, students may apply to the Scholarships Office to request an extension of take-up time for the Scholarship. Applications will be considered and determined on a case-by-case basis in consultation with the Dean of Graduate Studies as warranted. PhD enrolments and scholarship payments must commence on the first of the month.*
  - VI. A students who has previously terminated a University of Auckland-Indian Institute of Technology Doctoral Scholarship in Engineering for health reasons may apply in writing to the Scholarships Committee for consideration to receive the remaining balance of the scholarship, up to the maximum allowable tenure, to support completion of their doctoral programme*
  - VII. Payments under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax-free as long as they are used for the payment of costs associated with an awardee's programme of study and to assist the awardee with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.*
  - VIII. Recipients of a University of Auckland-Indian Institute of Technology Doctoral Scholarship in Engineering will be required to give undertakings that they will comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and will notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment, employment or funding status. The University of Auckland may, in the event it can be established that a recipient of a University of Auckland-Indian Institute of Technology Doctoral Scholarship in Engineering is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.*
  - IX. Paid work that is undertaken as part of an approved University of Auckland Internship, is not counted towards the 500 hours of additional and paid work that a Scholar may undertake while in receipt of a scholarship.*
  - X. These regulations are subject to Senate and Council approval.*