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Information and Application Form

BILL BUCKLEY ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP 2025

As part of the Maintenance Engineering Society of New Zealand's objective "To encourage New Zealand students into tertiary education in the field of engineering technology", MESNZ will offer this year a number of Engineering Scholarships worth up to \$2,000.

This scholarship is available to assist students with further study or training towards an engineering degree, diploma, apprenticeship, or certificate from any level on the New Zealand Qualifications Framework. To recognise the value both technical and professional engineers can bring to the industry MESNZ is proud to offer three specific scholarships:

Applicable Study:

All Years:

- National or New Zealand Certificate
- New Zealand Diploma
- Bachelors Degree

Closing Date:

29th August 2025

Notification Date:

12th September 2025

- 1- School Leavers looking to study/train towards either a Professional or Technical Engineering qualification.
- 2- Those already undertaking a Technical Engineering Qualification.
- 3- Those already undertaking a Professional Engineering Qualification.

Applications are sought from candidates interested in maintenance engineering as a career.

Students with links to **MESNZ** through work or other avenues are strongly encouraged to apply. The **MESNZ** engineering scholarships are open to applicants from anywhere in New Zealand.

Selection Process:

- Applications are to be made to the **MESNZ Executive Officer**, in electronic format via e-mail: infomesnz@gmail.com
- Short-listed candidates may be required to participate in an online interview.
- The scholarships are awarded by the **MESNZ** Executive on the recommendation of a Selection Committee.

Important Note:

Only open to NZ citizens or permanent residents.

Completed Applications to be returned by **29th August 2025** to:

MESNZ Executive Officer via email to: infomesnz@gmail.com

(If your references are being sent under separate cover, please double-check to ensure that they have in fact been sent and note on your check list that they are being submitted separately.)



Regulations:

1. The scholarships shall be known as the **Bill Buckley Engineering Scholarship**, named after the Society's patron Bill Buckley.
2. The scholarships shall be offered annually to students who are New Zealand citizens or permanent residents and who intend to enrol to study towards an engineering degree / diploma / trades qualification.
3. The scholarships cover a grant of up to **\$2,000** and may be used for assistance with tuition fees or tools of trade.
4. Applicants shall be selected from (1) School Leavers, and current Tertiary Engineering students already working towards (2) A Technical Engineering Qualification (Apprentice or Tech Student) and (3) A Professional Engineering Qualification (University Engineering Programme).
5. Winners are encouraged to attend the Award Ceremony held as part of the Annual Maintenance Excellence Awards Dinner, as part of the MESNZ Annual Maintenance Engineering Conference, **Fraser High School Hamilton, 30th Sept - 2nd October 2025**. All scholarship winners will receive a complimentary ticket to the whole conference, including the awards dinner.

Application forms are available from the **MESNZ**, school careers advisors and/or year 13 deans or online at <http://www.mesnz.org.nz>.

THE BILL BUCKLEY ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP – CHECK LIST and APPLICATION FORM

Please enclose all of the following eight items, plus the completed checklist:

1. The completed scholarship application forms (pages 2 to 6 of this document)	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. A brief Curriculum Vitae (maximum of two pages) detailing your scholastic record, your work history (if any), also details of your hobbies and any sporting activities you participate in, plus details of any community involvement or volunteer work you are involved with.	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. A typed essay on "Why I want to be a maintenance engineer". Guidance : 500- 650 words and in MS Word or rtf format, single spaced, 11 point font , which should make it no more than two pages (do not include any graphics or photos in your essay).	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Evidence of involvement of a completed maintenance project either directly or indirectly involved in. A brief description, drawings, and photographs.	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. A Character Referee, which is not to be completed by a close relative . They need to comment on your interest in studying engineering, motivation to succeed and academic merit.	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. You need to read the Conditions of Application on Page 6 and, if you are in agreement, sign and enclose the declaration form page with your application.	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Head and shoulders photo	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. A copy of your most recent NCEA (or Cambridge) results (including year end results for the previous year if you have them), if relevant, or a copy of your Record of Learning.	<input type="checkbox"/>



BILL BUCKLEY ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP

The **Scholarship Application** form is to be completed by the Applicant.

(Please print in CAPITAL LETTERS)

School / Employment Details

Current School/Employer

Previous School/Employer (if different from above)

Student Details

Surname or Family Name

First or Given Names

Birth Date

Home Address:

Suburb/city:

Post code:

Home Phone

Mobile Phone

Email Address

New Zealand Citizen

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Permanent Resident

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Date of Residence

Permit if Applicable

Academic Details

NCEA Level Two or Three (or equivalent) Results (or most recent public exam results available)
– Please do not attach the results, you need to enter them in the area below.

Subjects	Marks	Year
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Intended / Current Programme of Study at University / Polytechnic/ Competenz/Other

First
Choice:

Start date:

Second
choice

Start date:



5. BILL BUCKLEY ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP– CHARACTER REFERENCE

This **Character Reference** is not to be completed by a close relative. This reference can be typed as a separate document).

Please comment on the Applicant's interest in studying maintenance engineering, motivation to succeed, and academic merit. (This reference can be typed as a separate document).

Character Referee

I recommend that _____ be awarded a **MESNZ Engineering Scholarships** for the following reasons:

Signature of referee

Date

Name of referee

Contact Details:

- Postal Address
- Phone Number
- Mobile Number
- Email Address



6. Bill Buckley Engineering Scholarship Conditions of Application

- a. The information requested in the application form will be used for assessment purposes. All personal information collected during the application process may be made available to members of the selection panel for the award.
- b. **MESNZ** undertakes to store all applications in a secure place and to disclose the information requested in the application form only to those persons involved in the selection of candidates.
- c. **MESNZ** will normally hold documents about successful applicants for the period of the award. Documents for unsuccessful applicants will normally be kept for six weeks after the award has been made and then destroyed. Unsuccessful candidates may request that their materials, other than information supplied by a third party (see clause "e" below), be returned to them, rather than be destroyed. The request must be made within one month of the announcement of the award.
- d. Consistent with the provisions of the Privacy Act applicants have the right of access to information held about them. Applicants also have the right to request the correction of information held about them.
- e. Information about an applicant from other parties, e.g. a personal reference, which is supplied by a referee or other person on a confidential basis, will not be made available to the applicant.
- f. In order to honour successful applicants, **MESNZ** will disclose limited information (typically the award, your name, field of study, and a brief background) about successful applicants to engineering organisations and media. If your application is successful, by signing this form you have authorised **MESNZ** to release limited details to the parties mentioned above as well as placing you on the **MESNZ** website as a scholarship winner. If for any reason, information about you cannot be released as indicated, you must complete the portion of the declaration (see "Declaration" below) provided for this. In some cases, a candidate may be ineligible for an award if the personal information required cannot be made available.
- g. Applicants must have read the Conditions of Application for the award for which they are applying before signing this declaration. The signed declaration is the applicant's acknowledgement that they understand and agree to be bound by the conditions under which the award is made.
- h. **MESNZ** would like to keep in touch with the successful applicants as they progress through their education and training and may call on them for a short report (approximately 200 words) once a year.
- i. The selection panel has the discretion not to award a scholarship if the applications received are not considered to be at a sufficient standard.
- j. Entrants for this scholarship accept that the panel's decisions are final and that no correspondence will be entered into.

Declaration

I, (name) _____ declare that the information supplied in and with this scholarship application form is complete, true and correct in every particular. I agree to the above conditions with respect to my application for a scholarship administered through the **MESNZ** Executive. I authorise **MESNZ** staff to verify any details provided in my application.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If my application for a scholarship is successful, I do not wish the MESNZ to release the following information about me outside **MESNZ**.

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