Scholarship Information

2014 AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarships for Engineering and Mining-Related Degrees
The AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarships are available for outstanding current or future Indigenous students studying an eligible engineering or other eligible mining-related degree in 2014.

AIEF and BHP Billiton are working together to identify enthusiastic, capable and driven Indigenous students interested in successfully completing a degree in an eligible engineering or mining-related discipline, with a motivation to work for BHP Billiton in the future.

This is a unique and highly attractive opportunity to learn from experts, develop a global network of colleagues, attend world class training, and build exceptional skills and expertise.

1. WHAT DOES IT COVER?

AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarships cover:

- payment of residential accommodation, meals and other expenses at a university residential college of your choice, up to a maximum of $20,000 per annum paid directly to the college;
- an annual stipend of up to $2,000 per annum for textbooks and other materials, or other education-related expenses such as field trips;
- a living allowance of up to $6,000 per annum;
- an allowance of up to $2,000 per annum for compulsory fees;
- an opportunity to apply for the BHP Billiton Iron Ore Undergraduate Program (i.e. vacation internship) and the BHP Billiton Graduate Program (following successful completion of degree); and
- ongoing professional development and career pathways events with AIEF.

Any costs or fees exceeding the limits set out above remain your responsibility.
2. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible you must:

• be an Australian resident;
• be of Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent and be able to provide supporting evidence of your Indigenous identity;
• be enrolled full-time to study an eligible degree at an Australian university or have selected an eligible degree as a first preference;
• be accepted into a residential college;
• demonstrate strong academic achievement and potential;
• not be in receipt of any other scholarship, cadetship or similar support unless agreed with AIEF;
• be enthusiastic about a career in the mining industry; and
• be willing to apply for and participate in the BHP Billiton Iron Ore Undergraduate Program and the BHP Billiton Graduate Program in Perth or the Pilbara, Western Australia.

AIEF and BHP Billiton may amend the details and value of the Scholarship if you hold other scholarships or cadetships, or are in receipt of support from other similar sources.

3. ELIGIBLE DEGREES

Students studying the following degrees may be eligible:

1. Engineering - Chemical
2. Engineering – Civil
3. Engineering – Control Systems
4. Engineering – Electrical
5. Engineering – Environmental
6. Engineering – Geotechnical
7. Engineering – Mechanical
8. Engineering – Mechatronic
9. Engineering – Metallurgy
10. Engineering – Minerals Processing
11. Engineering – Mining (Open Cut) (Minerals Processing or Metallurgy)
12. Engineering – Mining
13. Science – Earth (Geology) (Geology/Geoscience, Earth Sciences, Science/Applied Science with major in Geology/Geoscience)
15. Science – Hydrology (Geology, Hydrogeology, Environmental Science, Civil Engineering)
16. Science – Spatial (Surveying)
17. Other mining-related degrees as approved by AIEF.
4. THE APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

Please apply using the 2014 AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarship Application Form and note that applications close **Friday, 27 September 2013**. Applications will be assessed by a selection panel, with an emphasis on questions demonstrating:

- your academic ability, achievement and potential;
- your interest in and commitment to working in the mining industry; and
- your interest in and commitment to working with BHP Billiton in Western Australia on completion of your degree.

You may be requested to attend an interview either by phone or at AIEF’s office in Sydney.

5. BHP BILLITON GRADUATE PROGRAM OVERVIEW

BHP Billiton is a leading global resources company. Our purpose is to create long-term shareholder value through the discovery, acquisition, development and marketing of natural resources.

Since 2008, the BHP Billiton Foundation for Graduates Program has been recognised three times as the Best Graduate Development Program in Australia. The program currently has 850 graduates participating globally, representing 30 disciplines including Engineering and Science.

BHP Billiton Graduates are offered unique opportunities to develop a global network of colleagues, gain exposure to world-class operations and grow personally and professionally in a dynamic and supportive environment.

For more information please call (02) 8373 8000 or visit our website at aief.com.au