



Australian Collaborative Education Network (ACEN) Work Integrated Learning Scholarship

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ACEN is the national body undertaking research and projects in relation to work integrated learning, ie placements, internships, practicum etc. within Australia. It liaises and partners with industry, government and not for profit organisations, to identify and promote opportunities on ways to enhance the student's learning outside the classroom.

Members of ACEN understand that a student may, from time to time, face difficulties in supporting themselves or their families while undertaking a placement or learning experience outside the classroom. It is for this reason that ACEN are providing a scholarship of \$3,000 to assist a student in undertaking their placement.

Purpose

This scholarship aims to support a student who will face economic hardship in undertaking a work integrated learning (WIL)/internship placement in 2010

Eligibility

To be eligible, you must meet the following criteria:

- have Australian or New Zealand citizenship, or hold an Australian permanent resident visa or permanent humanitarian visa,
- expect to be studying at least second year level at an Australian University or TAFE College in 2010, and be required to undertake an industry or community placement as part of your program in 2010.

and

Experience economic hardship in order to complete the WIL experience in 2010. To be eligible under this category, applicants must demonstrate through evidence:

- in receipt of a current Centrelink payment or benefit (eg a low income health care card), **or**
- exceptional financial hardship, but are not in receipt of any Centrelink payments or benefits.

and

- Provide evidence of consistent academic achievement (ie pass or above)
Please note both an official or unofficial printed transcript will be accepted

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- Funds to be used within 2010 and 2011.

Selection criteria will include:

- Demonstrated economic hardship
- Perceived benefit to the student
- Amount of previous WIL experience already completed
- Academic achievement (pass or above)
- Level of other support

The decision of the ACEN Executive will be final.

Value

\$3,000 per annum for one year.

Number available in 2010

One.

Recipient Obligations

- Confirmation that they have successfully been placed to undertake a Work Integrated Learning placement/experience.
- Confirmation of current enrolment.
- Scholarship funds must be expended by end of 2011 academic year.
- On completion of the Work Integrated Learning placement/experience the recipient is to provide a short report, in a format to be provided, to the ACEN Executive outlining how the funds were expended and a brief overview of the learning experience gained.

2010 Applications

Applications open Tuesday 1 September and close 5:00pm (AEST) Monday 30 November 2009.