



Southern Wood Council



Southern Wood Council Forest Products Scholarship

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APPLICATION FORM:

FULL NAME: _____

(Block Letters)

ADDRESS: _____

(for correspondence about this application)

TELEPHONE: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

(if appropriate)

University Degree: B.For.Sc or B.E.(Hons)(For) or Other (please Specify) _____

PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING *(tick when attached):*

- A written submission (no more than 1 page double sided) on why you are pursuing Forestry, Forest Engineering or Wood Processing as a career.
- Information on your connections to the Otago/Southland region, any associated work or practical experience you may have and extra-curricular interests. Where you are applying on the basis of need, provide an indication of why you need this scholarship.
- Certified true copies of your School and/or University academic results and other relevant academic records, including any NZQA Unit Standards that you have completed.

NOTES:

1. The Regulations for this award are attached to the application form; please read them **CAREFULLY** and make sure you are **eligible** to apply.
2. ALL PAPERWORK (including this application form and form relating to Privacy Provisions) must be received by the Southern Wood Council by **1 March 2012**; please understand that material supplied cannot be returned.
3. Notification of the awarding of this scholarship will be made by **1 April 2012**.

DECLARATION: I have read and understand the regulations for the above award, and I agree to abide by them.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please sign the attached Privacy Declaration.

NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED

SOUTHERN WOOD COUNCIL FOREST PRODUCTS SCHOLARSHIP

BACKGROUND:

The Southern Wood Council was set up in 2001 to promote, encourage and coordinate the sustainable economic development of the forest products industry in the Otago and Southland regions of New Zealand.

This grouping includes all the major forest owners within the region, the larger wood processing and manufacturing companies, the port authorities and each of the three economic development agencies from local councils. SWC member companies own or manage the majority of the larger plantation forests within the region.

The Southern Wood Council is one of few truly independent groups of its type that have been set up and currently is one of only two active regional forestry groupings operating in New Zealand. For further information on the Council or its membership visit www.southernwoodcouncil.co.nz

In addition to sponsoring an award each year for the region's outstanding Modern Apprentice as part of the FITEC Regional Training Awards Programme, the Southern Wood Council established a new scholarship which commenced in 2011. It has been designed for a student from the Otago/Southland region who is enrolled in the Bachelor of Forestry Science or Bachelor of Engineering (Hons) (Forestry) degrees at the University of Canterbury or a Wood Processing related degree.

The scholarship has been set up by the forest products industry in the lower South Island to encourage and support an outstanding student each year for their final three professional years of study (Years 2 – 4).

SCHOLARSHIP VALUE:

The Scholarship is worth **\$1500 including GST** for the three final years of professional study. The total value of the scholarship to the successful recipient will be **\$4500 including GST**. In addition to the financial payment, if a Bachelor of Forestry Science or Bachelor of Engineering (Hons) student is required to complete a thesis or research project as part of their study, the Southern Wood Council or Council members will endeavour to work with the student to select a suitable project from within the region. There may also be opportunities for summer vacation work with one of the Southern Wood council member companies.

NOTES:

1. The scholarship shall be known as the Southern Wood Council Forest Products Scholarship.
2. Up to one scholarship may be awarded each year by the Southern Wood Council. The scholarship covers three years of study with payment been made to the recipient each year. Payment of the scholarship will be contingent on the Southern Wood Council having available funds.
3. Recipients must have completed their first/intermediate year and be enrolled in the second year/first professional year of a B.For.Sc or B.E.(Hons)(For) degree at the University of Canterbury, or a Wood Processing related degree such as Mechanical, Process or Electrical Engineering.
4. The scholarships shall be awarded by a Southern Wood Council selection committee comprising senior staff drawn from a cross section of the major forest products companies in the Otago/Southland region.
5. a. Selection will be based on:
 - i. strong and current family connection to the Otago or Southland region
 - ii. academic merit in School and University examinations; and
 - iii. a demonstrated interest in Forestry or Forest Engineering as a career,
 - iv. a desire to work in the forest and/or wood processing industry in the region following graduation.

6. Interviews of short listed candidates may be conducted, if deemed necessary by the Selection Committee.
7. The scholarship may be held in conjunction with any other bursary, scholarship, prize, or fellowship unless the conditions of the other award preclude it.
8. The scholarship monies will be paid directly into the scholarship recipient's account on the awarding of the scholarship in the first year. Payment for the two subsequent years likewise will be made at the start of the academic year and will be dependent on the recipient passing all papers.
9. Application for the scholarship is to be made on the application form and forwarded to the Secretary, Southern Wood Council **no later than 1 March 2012.**

ADVICE TO APPLICANTS:

Applications must arrive by the closing date shown on the form. No undertaking is given to accept late applications.

Please note that only materials requested on the application form and/or in the Regulations are to be submitted - e.g. do not attach a C.V. unless you are requested to do so. Any additional material will be removed from your application in the interests of equity. Material submitted cannot be returned.

Please do not put your application into any sort of folder. Simply attach all pages of each application with ONE paper clip in the top left hand corner. **All pages should be A4 size.**

If you have any queries regarding your eligibility or how to apply, please contact the Southern Wood Council.

PRIVACY PROVISIONS:

The information requested in this application form will be used solely for the purposes of assessing your application for the Scholarship for which you are applying. Personal information contained in this application will be made available only to members of the appropriate selection committee.

Should you have reason to believe that information held about you in either your application or your academic record is incorrect, you have the right of access to, and where appropriate, correction of, that information.

I, _____ agree to the above conditions in respect to my scholarship application. I have read and understand the Regulations governing the award and I agree to abide by them, should an award be made to me.

Signature: _____ Date: _____