



AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarship Application Form



Section I: Information

About the scholarship

The AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarship is awarded to outstanding Indigenous students undertaking engineering and other mining-related degrees, who aspire to work with BHP Billiton and to one day become leaders in the business.

The scholarship covers the cost of tertiary residential college accommodation and some other educational expenses, and offers ongoing professional development and career support from AIEF and BHP Billiton.

Applications for the AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarship must be submitted before Sunday, 1 February 2015.

Am I eligible?

To be eligible for an AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarship you must:

- Be an Australian resident;
- Be of Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent and able to provide supporting evidence of this;
- Be enrolled full-time to study an eligible degree at an Australian university or applying to enrol full-time at an Australian university, having selected an eligible degree as a first preference;
- Demonstrate strong academic achievement and potential;
- Not be in receipt of any other scholarship, cadetship or similar support;
- Be enthusiastic about a career in the mining industry, and more specifically with BHP Billiton; 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.

Please note that preference will be given to applicants that are currently residing in or are planning to reside in a university residential college.

Students part way through their undergraduate degree are encouraged to apply.

Eligible degrees

Students studying the following degrees may be eligible for an AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarship:

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)
14. Science - Environmental (Environmental Science/Health, Environmental Management, Science with major in Ecology or Environmental Studies)
15. Science - Hydrology (Geology, Hydrogeology, Environmental Science, Civil Engineering)
16. Science - Spatial (Surveying)
17. Other mining-related degrees as approved by AIEF.

What does the scholarship cover?

- The cost of residential accommodation, compulsory fees, meals and other expenses at a tertiary residential college of your choice, up to a maximum of \$22,000 per annum, paid directly to the college (if applicable);
- An annual stipend of up to \$2,000 per annum for text books and other materials, or other education-related expenses; and
- A living allowance of up to \$6,000 per annum.

AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarship Students also receive ongoing professional development and career support from AIEF and BHP Billiton, including the opportunity to attend events and apply for the BHP Billiton Summer Undergraduate Program (vacation internship), see page 5 for more information.

Students also have the opportunity to apply for the BHP Billiton Graduate Program following the successful completion of their degree.

How do I apply?

You must submit a completed AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarship Application Form (2015) before Sunday, 1 February 2015 to be considered for the AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarship.

Applications will be assessed by a selection panel, with an emphasis on:

- Academic ability, achievement and potential (including the ability to maintain a credit average grade);
- Interest in and commitment to working in the mining industry; and
- Interest in and commitment to working with BHP Billiton on completion of your degree.

You may be asked to attend an interview as part of the application process. Interviews will be conducted either by telephone or in person at AIEF's office in Sydney.

Please use the checklist on page 21 to ensure your application form is completed correctly.

More information

The Australian Indigenous Education Foundation (AIEF) provides scholarships which enable Indigenous students in financial need to attend some of Australia's leading schools and universities.

AIEF also provides mentoring and career support through the *AIEF Pathways Program* to ensure all AIEF Scholarship Students make a successful transition from university into a productive and fulfilling career.

AIEF offers the AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarship in partnership with BHP Billiton, and AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholars are encouraged to apply for BHP Billiton's undergraduate and graduate programs.

BHP Billiton Summer Undergraduate Program

The BHP Billiton Summer Undergraduate Program is an outstanding opportunity to learn from experts, develop a future network of colleagues and grow personally and professionally in a dynamic and supportive culture.

To participate, you must be prepared to relocate within Australia, including to regional and/or remote areas for the entire undergraduate program period of approximately three months, including Christmas and New Year. Preference is given to students in their third or penultimate year of study.

BHP Billiton Graduate Program

Talented and motivated employees and contractors working at 141 locations in 26 countries across the globe are the foundation of BHP Billiton's success as the world's leading diversified resources company.

AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholars are invited to apply for the BHP Billiton Foundations for Graduates Program, which attracts nearly 950 graduates from around the world representing over 30 disciplines including engineering, science and exploration, health science and business.

On completion of their degree, successful applicants participate in a development program that is unmatched in the resources sector. Graduates in the program are challenged and offered unique opportunities to:

- Learn and excel in their day to day work;
- Participate in a number of work-based team and experiential activities;
- Grow personally and professionally in a dynamic, inclusive and supportive culture;
- Gain exposure to world-class operations;
- Engage with exceptional leaders; and
- Extend their network with global colleagues.



Tim

AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholar, 2013 BHP Billiton Undergraduate

In 2013 Tim from Kempsey, NSW was one of the first students to receive an AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarship.

He says the scholarship, which enables him to live on campus, has given him the support he needs to excel in the fifth and final year of a combined Bachelor of Engineering and Bachelor of Commerce at the University of Sydney.

“Living in college means more of my focus is on study rather than work, rent and bills and all the other uncertainties and difficulties that come with uni living.”

Tim has embraced the unique career development opportunities on offer as a result of his scholarship, completing the BHP Billiton Summer Undergraduate Program over the 2013/14 summer holidays in Newman, WA.

He says the experience was interesting and rewarding: “We got to work with heaps of different teams and learn how they work together to achieve targets for the mine as a whole. It was really cool getting to know the different areas and roles and getting a chance to actually contribute and do some meaningful work.”

After completing the Program Tim was successful in obtaining a Graduate Mining Engineer role in the 2015 BHP Billiton Graduate Program.

The AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarship Application Form begins on the next page.

Please separate pages 1- 6 before submitting your completed application form. AIEF encourages you to keep these pages for your records.

Section 2: Application

Full name	
Date of birth	Gender
Home phone	Mobile
Email	
Residential address	
State	Postcode
Postal address Same as above <input type="checkbox"/>	
State	Postcode
Are you Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/> Torres Strait Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/>	
What is your home community?	
Do you identify with any other home community? Please list.	
Do you identify as being part of any traditional owner groups?	
Banjima <input type="checkbox"/>	Nyoongar <input type="checkbox"/>
Bardi <input type="checkbox"/>	Nyul Nyul <input type="checkbox"/>
Birrimaya <input type="checkbox"/>	Nyugamarta <input type="checkbox"/>
Eastern Guruma <input type="checkbox"/>	Palyku <input type="checkbox"/>
Jabirr Jabirr <input type="checkbox"/>	Puutu Kunti Kurrama and Pinikura <input type="checkbox"/>
Kariyarra <input type="checkbox"/>	Thalanyji <input type="checkbox"/>
Martu <input type="checkbox"/>	Torres Strait Islander <input type="checkbox"/>
Ngarla <input type="checkbox"/>	Wajarri <input type="checkbox"/>
Ngarlawangga <input type="checkbox"/>	Yamatji <input type="checkbox"/>
Ngarluma <input type="checkbox"/>	Yawuru <input type="checkbox"/>
Nharnuwangga <input type="checkbox"/>	Yindjibarndi <input type="checkbox"/>
Njamal <input type="checkbox"/>	Yinhawangka <input type="checkbox"/>
Nyiyaparli <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please specify):
Nykina <input type="checkbox"/>	_____

Parent/Guardian details (1)

Full name	
Relationship to you	
Home phone	Mobile
Email	
Are they: Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/> Torres Strait Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> Neither <input type="checkbox"/>	
Name of Employer	Occupation
Is this Parent/Guardian employed by BHP Billiton? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Which Mine/Operation?	Employee Number

Parent/Guardian details (2)

Full name	
Relationship to you	
Home phone	Mobile
Email	
Are they: Aboriginal <input type="checkbox"/> Torres Strait Islander <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> Neither <input type="checkbox"/>	
Name of Employer	Occupation
Is this Parent/Guardian employed by BHP Billiton? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Which Mine/Operation?	Employee Number

Your education

If you run out of space, please complete your answers on additional pages attached to this form.

Secondary school	
Year of graduation	Highest year level completed (e.g. Year 12)

Are you studying, or have you previously studied at a tertiary institution?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Tertiary institution			
Course studied			
Term of study (years)			
Have you completed this course?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Currently studying <input type="checkbox"/>

If no, why?

Academic results

Please indicate the State/Territory and secondary school certificate you have achieved/anticipate you will achieve:

ACT Year 12 Certificate	<input type="checkbox"/>	NSW HSC	<input type="checkbox"/>
NT NTCE	<input type="checkbox"/>	QLD QCE	<input type="checkbox"/>
SA SACE	<input type="checkbox"/>	TAS TCE	<input type="checkbox"/>
VIC VCE	<input type="checkbox"/>	WA WACE	<input type="checkbox"/>
IB State _____			

Please attach copies of your academic results for the past two years. Include secondary and tertiary results, if applicable. Transcripts should specify the name of the educational institution, the term, semester or year assessed, the names of subjects/courses studied and the overall mark for each subject/course.

Successful applicants may be required to provide original or certified copies of this documentation before a scholarship can be awarded.

University and course information

Have you applied for this scholarship before?		Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Are you:	Enrolled <input type="checkbox"/>	OR	Applying for enrolment <input type="checkbox"/>
	Commenced in (year) _____		Commencing in (year) _____
If you are applying, how do you intend to gain entry?		<input type="checkbox"/> Direct Entry <input type="checkbox"/> Enabling/Bridging/Preparation Program <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
University			
Degree			
Year of degree in Semester 1, 2015 (e.g. first, second, third year)			
Anticipated length of degree (years)			
Anticipated date of graduation (year)			
Are you currently residing in or intending to reside in a tertiary residential college?		Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Name of college			
Telephone			

Other scholarships

Are you currently in receipt of a scholarship, bursary and/or cash prize? Yes No

If yes, what is the value? \$ _____

If yes, please provide relevant details, including any professional or financial obligations of the scholarship, bursary and/or cash prize:

Have you been awarded a scholarship, bursary and/or cash prize in the past? Yes No

If yes, please provide relevant details, including any professional or financial obligations of the scholarship, bursary and/or cash prize:

Have you applied for any other BHP Billiton tertiary scholarships, including Indigenous Tertiary Scholarships at Curtin University or The University of Western Australia? Yes No

If yes, please provide relevant details, including the name of the university and the scholarship:

Have you / are you currently engaged in the Graham (Polly) Farmer Foundation's *Follow the Dream* Program? Yes No

Have you / are you currently engaged in any other Graham (Polly) Farmer Foundation Programs? Yes No

Have you / are you currently engaged with any other Indigenous scholarship providers (e.g. Yalari, IYLP, Gumala, IBN, CYLP)? Yes No

If yes, please provide relevant details, including program names, your involvement and any ongoing commitments or obligations:

Have you, or are you currently engaged with any other scholarship, cadetship, career or mentor programs (e.g. ICS, AIME, Career Trackers, QLD Reds, The Smith Family)? Yes No

If yes, please provide relevant details, including program names, your involvement and any ongoing commitments or obligations:

Have you / are you currently in engaged or participating in voluntary tertiary programs or any other university or college preparation programs (e.g. summer and/or winter school programs)? Yes No

If yes, please provide relevant details, including program names, your involvement and any ongoing commitments:

Have you ever been employed, either directly or as a contractor, by BHP Billiton (e.g. apprenticeship or traineeship)? Yes No

If yes, please provide relevant details, including position held, name of the Mine/Operation, and why you left:

Referees

Please note: we may contact these referees to discuss your application and your suitability for the scholarship.

Academic referee

Name	
Institution (i.e. school/university)	
Job title	Relationship to you
Telephone	Email

Personal referee (has known you for at least two years)

Name	
Relationship to you	How long have you known this person?
Telephone	Email

Declaration

I declare that the information supplied by me in this application is true, accurate and complete and that I have supplied all required supporting documents.

I understand that AIEF may request original copies of any submitted documents for the purpose of verification.

Additionally, I understand that the information collected about me in this form will be shared with third parties including BHP Billiton for the purpose of assessing my application for a AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarship (2015).

I consent to AIEF:

1. Keeping the information on this form; and
2. Using this information to contact me about other opportunities.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____

Name: _____

Checklist

1. Ensure that you have read and understood each section of the application form.
2. Where applicable, mark the most relevant answer by putting a cross in the appropriate box.
3. Ensure that you specify the discipline you are currently studying or applying to study (page 10).
4. Ensure that the information you have provided in this form is complete and accurate.
5. Submit your completed application form including:
 - An up to date resume including all relevant work history;
 - Contact information for two referees (one academic, one personal) (page 19);
 - Evidence that you are an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person. This may include:
 - An ABSTUDY statement from Centrelink; or
 - Written confirmation by a recognised representative of your local Indigenous community of your Indigenous status (usually through your local land council, but other evidence will be considered);
 - Copies* of academic results and/or transcripts for the past two years – do NOT send original certificates and/or academic results or transcripts with this form.

Return your completed application form by **Sunday, 1 February 2015** to AIEF by post or email:

By Post

AIEF
AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarship Applications (2015)
Suite 2A Level 2
2-12 Foveaux Street
Surry Hills NSW 2010

By Email

Please attach a copy of your application to an email with the subject heading 'AIEF-BHP Billiton Tertiary Scholarship Applications (2015)' and send to applications@aief.com.au.

* *If your application is successful, you will be asked to provide original or certified copies of documents.*