Powercor Scholarship

BACKGROUND:
Powercor Australia is an electricity distribution company that operates throughout western Victoria and the western suburbs of Melbourne. Powercor are dedicated to supporting students with the desire to enter the electrical industry, and in 2016 established the Powercor Scholarship at the Gordon.

FULL TERMS AND CONDITIONS:
Up to $2,000 will be awarded to a female student who demonstrates commitment and motivation to succeed in building a career in the electrical trade.

1. Selection Criteria:
   Applicants must:
   • be enrolled in a pre-apprentice electrical course at the Gordon
   • demonstrate keenness to overcome obstacles and succeed in their studies and find employment
   • demonstrate initiative and commitment via either academic merit, work, community or personal life (i.e. Prior employment, community involvement, voluntary work)
   • be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
   • be a female student

2. Administration of Scholarship:
   • the Scholarship will be managed by the Student Scholarships, Welfare and Alumni Officer in consultation with at least one representative of Powercor
   • applications for the Powercor scholarship will open on the Gordon website in early November and close in mid-February
   • if the scholarship monies are not awarded in the first semester the scholarship will re-open for mid-year intake
   • a selection committee comprising the Student Scholarships, Welfare and Alumni Officer, at least one Staff member from the Gordon’s Electro-technology department and a representative of Powercor will be responsible for selecting the suitable Scholarship recipient
   • short listed students may be invited to attend a selection interview during March
   • in the event of a disagreement, the representative from Powecor will have the final say and these decisions are final
   • all information supplied to the selection committee and to the appropriate student services and administration officers is treated as confidential
• in the event of insufficient suitable applicants, the selection committee has discretion to not award a scholarship in any given year

3. **Conditions of award:**

• the scholarship will be paid annually in April. The mode of payment is at the discretion of the selection committee and may be altered in consultation with the recipient of the scholarship
• any current outstanding enrolment fees can and may be deducted from the scholarship amount
• the successful scholarship recipient will be required to accept their scholarship at an Awards evening held in March
• a scholarship is not transferable to another Institute
• each scholarship is to be spent on expenses associated with study, including course fees, books, materials, etc.
• each recipient is to use best endeavour to successfully complete the program of study
• each recipient must give at least one month’s notice in writing in the event of any of the following:
  o transfer to another course within the Gordon
  o transfer to another Institute
  o transfer from full time study to part time study or vice versa

4. **Termination of award:**

The Gordon has discretion to terminate a scholarship and to recover payment in the event of:

• the behaviour of the recipient on or off campus is considered by the selection committee to bring disrepute upon the Scholarship or the Gordon
• the program of study is being undertaken with insufficient diligence or not in accordance with the terms of the Scholarship
• cancellation of enrolment/transfer to another Institute
• deferral of study in the year of award without suitable rationale

5. **Report Requirements:**

Each recipient will submit a written report when final results are known. This report will include:

• the recipient’s name, course of study and date of report
• a statement outlining how the grant was spent and how it assisted with furthering studies and career development (receipts attached)

Reports will be presented to Powercor by the Student Scholarships, Welfare and Alumni Officer

6. **Agreement to Terms and Conditions:**

I, _______________________________ as the recipient of the Powercor Scholarship have read and accept the terms and conditions of the scholarship monies as outlined within this document.
I do ☐ do not ☐ give permission for my photo to be used for promotional and/or reporting purposes by the Gordon and Powercor.

__________________________________________  ________________________________
Recipient signature                          Date

All correspondence regarding scholarships should be forwarded to:

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