Victoria University of Wellington and Huawei New Zealand

2017 Seeds for the Future Programme

BACKGROUND

ICT is one of the world’s largest and fastest growing industries; bringing social change and transforming the global economy.

The pace of development in ICT brings both benefits and challenges, particularly for those who are seeking to join the industry and must emerge from training programmes with the skills and experience which will make them immediately effective.

Huawei’s Seeds for the Future programme provides a vital link between classroom learning and the type of real world situations students will face once they enter the workforce. It aims to challenge and to inspire students who are considering a future in technology, and to provide an immersive experience of life at one of the world’s leading technology companies.

Huawei is the world’s largest telecommunications vendor, one of the world’s biggest consumer brands, and has for the past two years led the world in patent applications as result of its dedication to R&D investment (We have spent more than CNY240 billion on R&D innovation over the last decade).

The Seeds for the Future programme selects high-achieving students for an all-expenses trip to Huawei’s headquarters in Shenzhen, China, where they will be exposed to the very latest technological developments, get hands-on in Huawei’s laboratories, and learn directly from those people who are busy creating the next generation of consumer, enterprise, and network technology.

Successful candidates will also experience a week in Beijing to learn about Chinese history, culture, and language, and to gain an understanding of New Zealand’s largest trade partner.

The trip

- Up to four recipients from the VUW will be invited to attend this programme in 2017.
- All recipients will attend a two weeks study programme in China; inclusive of spending time at Huawei Headquarters and at its research and development laboratories. As part of the study programme Huawei will cover in full the recipients’ air travel, accommodation, travel insurance, entry Visas, and all meals.

Huawei shall:

- Collaborate with the VUW on the selection of a shortlist of candidates.
- Provide a minimum of one representative to interview the shortlisted candidates.
- Collaborate with VUW to select the final recipients.
- Provide support in the form of a chaperone to the selected students during the study programme in China including assistance with travel arrangements, accommodation and Visa application.
Victoria University of Wellington shall:

- Provide Huawei with a shortlist of suitable high achieving applicant candidates.
- Provide a minimum of one representative to interview the shortlisted candidates.
- In collaboration with Huawei select the final recipients of the programme.
- Confirm final selection of the recipients.
- In partnership with Huawei Public Affairs, advertise the programme, including but not limited to, in the university campus bulletin and website.

PROGRAMME CONDITIONS

1. Consideration will be given to the maturity of the candidate and the appropriateness of a placement in China.
2. Recipients must be enrolled in a full-time programme of study at Victoria University of Wellington and be reaching a high level of achievement through the relevant study programme.
3. Recipients must be available to travel during the specified period (dates to be confirmed prior to application).
4. Recipients must hold a valid passport and be eligible to receive a Chinese travel Visa.
5. Recipients must be available for a small amount of promotional activity such as media interviews or programme marketing activity, supporting the Seeds for the Future programme.