INVESTING IN YOUR FUTURE

SUCCESS: CIVIL ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME
“Through the SUCCESS scheme, I completed three summer work placements at Tony Gee and Partners LLP. I now work for the engineering consultancy as a Graduate Engineer.”

Matthew Gorvett
Graduate Engineer, Tony Gee and Partners LLP
MEng Civil Engineering, 2017

“Graduates with up to three summers’ experience of the Laing O’Rourke business are fantastic employees from their first day with us, many SUCCESS students have gone on to senior leadership positions in the Laing O’Rourke business.”

Neil Garrett
Operational Leader, Expanded Ltd, Laing O’Rourke
SUCCESS

Providing a scholarship scheme to Civil Engineering students and employers since 2003

Key highlights
→ Annual bursary of £1,650
→ Summer work placements
→ Industrial mentor
→ Employment opportunities upon graduation

SUCCESS – application schedule
→ During October and November, first, second and third-year students are invited to submit applications to SUCCESS
→ Applications are then screened and circulated to participating sponsors for consideration and selection
→ Shortlisted candidates are invited to attend a selection day held on the University campus where company representatives showcase their work and hold formal interviews
→ Successful candidates are contacted soon after the interview day.

Find out more:
www.southampton.ac.uk/success
“The SUCCESS scheme has allowed me to practically apply what I have learnt at university on real life projects. It is a great scheme giving industrial experience without taking a solid year in between studies and improved my job prospects.”

Kush Patel
MEng Civil Engineering, third-year student
Q. Who can apply to SUCCESS?
A. First, second and third-year Civil Engineering students are eligible to apply.

Q. Will I receive help from the University with my SUCCESS application?
A. Extensive support and help is provided by the Careers and Employability Service towards completion of the application form and performing to the best of your ability at the interview and selection day.

Q. What commitment am I expected to make?
A. SUCCESS students are expected to:
- Work during summer vacations for their sponsoring employer. The period of work is by mutual agreement with the employer, but eight to ten weeks is the required minimum duration to fulfil the agreement
- Write a progress report for their sponsors each term
- Achieve a minimum of 60 per cent overall average in their degree each year (showing the ultimate potential to achieve an upper Second Class degree minimum).

Q. When will I receive my annual bursary of £1,650?
A. The annual bursary is paid to each student following completion of the summer placement with their sponsoring company.

This bursary will be paid annually for the duration of student studies, subject to satisfactory academic and placement reports.

Q. What benefit will I gain from my summer work placement?
A. On their summer work placement SUCCESS students have the opportunity to apply knowledge from their degree course and gain industrial experience. This enables them to get ahead early in their civil engineering careers as employers prefer to recruit graduates with intern experience.

Q. Who will act as my industrial mentor?
A. Senior engineers from sponsoring companies act as mentors to SUCCESS students during their studies and work placements providing opportunities for personal development.

Q. Will I be offered a job by my sponsor after graduation?
A. Many sponsored students receive offers of permanent employment upon graduation. It is entirely optional whether or not to accept such an offer; although students often do choose to accept a sponsor’s employment offer after developing a rewarding three to four-year working relationship.

Q. If I decide to leave my course will I have to refund my SUCCESS bursary?
A. If a student terminates their studies early they will be expected to refund a proportion of any sponsorship received pro-rata.

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“Some of my best university experiences have been from my summer work placements, organised through the SUCCESS programme.”

Georgina Davies
MEng Civil and Environmental Engineering, third-year student
The SUCCESS scheme was really helpful in getting a placement as the companies all came into university to interview us in a ‘milk round’ type situation. I had a 15 week placement which I really enjoyed.”

Tim Chatfield
MEng Civil Engineering, fourth-year student
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