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AusNet Services launches Women in Power Engineering Scholarships

AusNet Services has partnered with Deakin University to launch the AusNet Services Women in Power Engineering Scholarships.

The AusNet Services Women in Power Engineering Scholarships aim to support women to achieve tertiary qualifications in power engineering, preparing them for diverse and rewarding careers in the energy industry.

AusNet Services' Managing Director, Nino Ficca, said the company is committed to increasing diversity in the energy industry.

"AusNet Services is proud to launch these scholarships in partnership with Deakin University," Nino said.

"We understand the importance of investing in talented women to be part of a diverse energy industry," Nino added.

Professor Guy Littlefair, Dean of Engineering in the Faculty of Science, Engineering and the Built Environment at Deakin University, said Deakin was thrilled to be working in partnership with AusNet Services on such an important initiative.

"Women are vastly under-represented in the engineering profession, so it's important that we encourage them to think about tertiary study which could lead to an exciting career in engineering," he said.

"These new Power Engineering scholarships are a great opportunity to focus on advancements in energy distribution and bring new skills and thinking to the industry.

"We look forward to applications for the scholarships and visitors to our open days. Scholarship recipients will benefit from studying at our Centre for Advanced Design in Engineering Training (CADET), where they will have access to some of the best future-focused engineering and design facilities in Australia," he said.

Subject to criteria, scholarships are awarded to successful female applicants entering Deakin's Bachelor of Electrical and Electronics Engineering (Honours) degree. Each scholarship is valued at \$10,000 per year over the normal period of study.

Deakin University Open Days will also provide an opportunity for prospective female power engineering students to visit CADET in Geelong on **Sunday 9 August, openday.deakin.edu.au**



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For more information on the scholarships, visit deakin.edu.au/study-at-deakin/scholarships-and-awards, or www.ausnetservices.com.au>careers>scholarships.

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About AusNet Services

AusNet Services is Victoria's largest energy delivery service, owning and operating approximately \$11 billion of electricity and gas distribution assets that connect into more than 1.3 million Victorian homes and businesses.

Based in Melbourne, AusNet Services employs more than 2,200, including its Select Solutions and Geomatic Technologies businesses, and is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX: AST) and Singapore Exchange.

About Deakin University

Deakin is Australia's eight largest University, with over 50,000 students, including a third choosing to study wholly in a cloud, and a deep commitment to equity and employability. Deakin has achieved the highest level of overall student satisfaction amongst Victorian universities for five consecutive years.

The University is ranked in the top 3% of universities across all three of the major international university ranking systems: the Academic Ranking of World Universities, *Times Higher Education* World University Rankings and the QS World University Rankings.