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New Zealand/Australia/US/Canada/South Africa Embassy Argentina

Future Engineering Leaders Scholarship (FELS)

English Language Immersion Program for Undergraduate Students

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

The Future Engineering Leaders Scholarship (FELS) is a joint effort from different countries to offer scholarships to undergraduate engineering students whose native language is other than English. It is an opportunity for students to take part in an immersion English program that aims at developing both the English language and skills such as critical thinking, teamwork, leadership and cultural awareness.

The special characteristic about the FELS is that students apply for it in pairs or in groups of three. Since this scholarship is aimed at developing basic engineering skills, students are asked to develop a project based on an engineering topic to be pre-selected. Details about this project are provided below in the section "Project Proposal". Although most of this form is completed individually, the section about the project has to be developed by all the members of the team together.

The students who are pre-selected will have to turn in an individual video about their life, preferences, expectations, among other aspects (i.e. the components of the elements in the first part of the present form). As well as this, all the members of the group will have to deliver the presentation of the project to the committee. The winners of the scholarships will be announced at a later date.

The students who are admitted into the program will visit a country of their choice and will spend two months at a University taking the English for Specific Purposes course and the 21st Century Engineering Skills course specially designed for these students. Although the costs of tuition and accommodation are covered, the students will have to pay for their plane ticket.

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a) Members of the team

Full name (first, last and m.i.): Olivia Bust

Country of Choice: New Zealand

b) Personal information

Full name (first, last and m.i.): Olivia Bust

Date and place of birth: August 13th, 2000 in Buenos Aires

Nationality (only Argentine nationals can apply): Argentinian

I.D. (DNI): 42831861

Passport No. (if you have one):-I do not have a passport

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Narration of your Personal Information

I am Olivia Bust. I am 22 years old and I was born on August 13th, 2000 in Buenos Aires so I am Argentinian. I enjoy being Argentinian because I love a lot of its culture, beliefs and passions. Besides that, I feel good when I eat typical foods from my country. However, I have always wanted to live in other countries and I would love to learn about other cultures and, from these, acquire new experiences that will be of useful for the rest of my life.

My identification number (DNI) is 42831821 and my address is 1085 Sarmiento in Villaguay, Entre Rios and its ZIP code is 3240. At the moment, I live in Parana, Entre

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Rios because I study in this city. Here, I feel comfortable because I made a lot of friends that in a short time so I appreciate this very much.

My cell phone number is 3434557028 and my e-mail address is solbust13@gmail.com..

c) Academic and professional background

University studies: Civil Engineering

Overall GPA: 7

(Please, attach official transcript)

University institution: Paraná Regional School of Engineering - National Technological

University

Expected graduation date: 2025

Scholarships:---

Awards or recognitions:--

Career-related job experience:--

Special interests (hobbies, sports, music, arts): listening to music, watching Netflix, spending time with friends and family, walking around the city, studying, reading books

Are you a member of an NGO, club or association? --

Narration of your Academic and Professional background

I am a University student of Civil Engineering with an GPA of 7. I study at National Technological University in the city of Parana, Entre Rios. My expectation is to acquire different engineering knowledge to graduate in 2025 and be able to accomplish one of my dreams. One of these is living in a country that has great job opportunities and where I can be effective at work.

I do not have any scholarships but I received an award in high school for my performance in mathematics.

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I consider myself a good student because I am a very dedicated person. I always complete the assignments I must do and I have been able to adapt to virtual classes through Zoom and the homework that the teachers send.

I have not had engineering related job experience, although I really want to take part in this exchange program. I feel that I do not only want to dedicate myself to this for the rest of my life but also that I am going to be good at it.

When problems of any type arise, I am a person who it will always look for the most efficient way to solve it. I am sure that this is one of the qualities with which I would fit perfectly in this program.

In my free time, I usually spend time with my friends and family because with them I really feel happy. I also like to spend my time alone with my pets watching tv. I enjoy watching movies and series because I am exposed to other languages and I improve my listening skills with this.

Another way to spend my free time is to go to the park to play the guitar and and sing some songs. I feel good after this because I use these moments to clear my mind away from studies or other thoughts.

d) A day in the life of a UTN student: Tell the Committee about your daily routine, making sure you highlight those aspects that make you special.

Generally, my days are a true routine since at present we are going through a pandemic that does not allow us to do different regular activities. However, I can adapt to virtual classes. I am a university student who spends most of her time in class or studying. As well as this, I enjoy doing different activities the rest of the day.

Firstly, I get up at 8 in the morning. While I prepare my breakfast, I prepare the table where I study. I usually spend all morning studying or doing homework but ,in the middle of the morning, I take a break to clear my mind. In these

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moments, I choose to start cleaning my house because I love cleaning spaces.

At about midday, I take a break to start cooking lunch. At the same time, I love listening to music and singing songs, which is a good tool to distract myself.

Early afternoon, I go to ashtanga yoga, which is a class that helps me unplug and makes me happy. I have empowered myself by means of this discipline because I have learned about the importance of breathing and posture, which helps me with my concentration and studying focus.

After yoga I take a shower and later, I spend all afternoon in virtual classes. I usually enjoy the classes because I like to learn about subjects related to civil engineering. Once the virtual classes finish, I make my dinner, which is a healthy dinner but some days I eat with my friends, who fortunately live nearby.

On the days before Covid-19, classes were always face to face so I would have to take a bus and travel to Paraná Regional School of Engineering, which is my University institution. There, I not only met my classmates but also everything was more fun because when we had a break, we would sit in the sun to share time together. In addition to that, some days we did different activities outdoors.

e) Knowing about your life story is important for the Selection Committee. Narrate your biography, highlighting those aspects that make you a unique person

I was born in 2000 in Buenos Aires, Argentina, where I spent my childhood and where my mother's family lives. I have a lot of good and funny memories of that place. I remember, when I was at school with my friends I always found the way to win because I am a competitive person.

Later in 2008 my family and I moved to Villaguay, Entre Rios. I have lived here since then and the best people in my life are in this place too. I learned the values of life

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from them, they help me grow day by day and they always take care of me. I thank God for this.

In relation to my hobbies in Villaguay, I was always a very sporty girl and I liked to participate in sports competitions. I did sports such as softball, volleyball and artistic gymnastics. I participated in a lot of competitions of gymnastic and I won many of them.

I also attended an English institute where they taught me British English. This place shaped my English language as I learned to speak and write. I made many groups of friends at that time with whom I still have a relation.

In the year 2014 I met my best friends. Our love is still very intense, because they taught me what true friendship is. They knew how to make me stronger when problems arise, whether they have a solution or not.

In 2018 I finished school and I traveled to Bariloche with my classmates. At the graduation ceremony, the school authorities gave me an award for my good grades in mathematics and this made me realize that I had to follow a career path that was connected with numbers. After investigating what to do in my future, I discovered engineering and loved it from the first moment.

A year later, I came to live in Parana, where I started Civil Engineering at Paraná Regional School of Engineering. The university taught me what responsibility and commitment are and I began to learn to find solutions for myself with effort and dedication. I also learned to rest when I have to, since I cannot demand more of myself because this only brings bad consequences.

Now, I am in the third year of my studies and I am a very determined and constant person. Despite the pandemic, I found a way to be able to go on with my studies from home, and I'm getting good grades in this.

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f) Why have you chosen New Zealand for the immersion program? write a text about what you know or interests you about this country.

I chose New Zealand, a country of Oceania, mainly because it is one of the best countries for learning how to speak English, given that I can practice the language daily. In addition, the inhabitants of the country are conformed by New Zealanders and people from different parts of the world that provide great hospitality to people entering the country. They are very friendly and they also patiently help people who do not speak his language, for this I know that they will help me to communicate more fluently

I think that New Zealand is a great country as it has a great quality of life. It is considered as one of the safest countries for its low levels of violence and for its peaceful society. There is a low unemployment rate and they have a great stability in the social, economic and educational areas.

This country respects and cares about the care of the environment very much, so it has a great tranquility and clean streets. In this place climate is a paradise, and this is also a great motivation. This country has the 4 seasons of the year (winter, summer, spring, fall) and in each season so its weather is excellent. This is possible because they have a culture that is based in the caring of the environment. They are really sensitive and they are conscious that the planet must be preserved and pollution has to be reduced. Because of this, they recycle everything. This comes with laws that regulates it.

Accompanying this are all the dazzling landscapes that this country presents, along with a variety of natural beauties such as beaches, lakes, national parks, mountains, glaciers and other great places. Thanks to this, you can do various outdoor activities, since it is designed to do the greatest adventures and extreme sports.

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It should still be noted that foreigners are given the same labor rights as Nationals. It is a country where people from all the world receive new experiences and opportunities. A remarkable advantage with respect to opportunities is that they guarantee job opportunities since the unemployment rate is one of the lowest in the world. Taking into account that the kiwi, as they call themselves, are innovative entrepreneurs it is easy to do business with them. It is considered as the second-best country to do business.

I know that I will easily adapt to New Zealand and make me all my desired projects come true. It can guarantee a lot of security. This will make me feel relieved because I will be able to have a comfortable experience.

g) What are your plans for the future?

My plans for the future in the short term are to be able to advance with my studies and acquire the maximum possible experience. It is not difficult for me to spend time studying because I like to learn something new every day. For this reason, my goal is to finish my studies in the next few years.

My main objective is to achieve independence and stability both financially and mentally by nourishing myself with new knowledge. Once I get a job, I would like to be able to find the balance between work, family and friends, giving them the time and importance that all of them requires.

Since my childhood I have really liked seeing images about landscapes. I love places with beaches and lots of sun. When I have a stable job, I would like to travel all around the world to see in person those beautiful places and take many photos of myself there.

In the long term, one of my personal projects is to adopt children to be able to

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give them all the love they deserve. I want to fully enjoy this experience with all that it implies and also be accompanied by animals.

At a professional level, I aspire to carry out my work in an extremely professional way with the tools, knowledge and dedication that I am obtaining and will obtain in order to

help the environment. I look forward to having my own building company and making my own eco-friendly materials while minimizing the impact on the planet. I would like

to establish a relationship with the workers, giving them the value they deserve so, when they need it, they can confidently trust me for what they need.

In short, which are my plans for the future? The answer would be to try to contribute a little bit of myself to others, helping whenever I can and building confidence with society. I would like to take advantage of what I know about the career path I chose and the experiences of my life.

f) Please, describe in not more than 500 words, why you would like to take this course and how you think it will help you both personally and professionally

Here, I would like to say that I am a very friendly and empathetic person. This makes me think and be sure that there will be no problem with my experience in New Zealand. As New Zealand people are very friendly, I am sure I will be able to get along with them and count on them in many aspects of daily life.

This is a great opportunity for myself because I will be part of an English program where I will develop the English language learned in my country. Also, I will be able to show my leadership skills since I always take the initiative in teamwork, which I am good at. With respect to that, one of the things I am looking for in the exchange time is to improve my teamwork skills with people from anywhere in the world; thus, obtaining greater work and cultural knowledge.

Another quality that makes me a good candidate for this scholarship is my creativity and originality. I will be able to make new contributions that take into

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account what is happening today and what has happened, so as to grow professionally and even learn from past mistakes. I will progress as an engineer and share all I know with others from any part of the world.

This scholarship will also give me research opportunities, due to the great scope of new technologies that this country has. If I am chosen for the scholarship, I will be able to show that it is not difficult for me to relate to people and together with this, we will be able to do great projects. One of them is to start a research project about new environmentally friendly tools for construction.

Although I will not spend many months in this country, I am sure that this scholarship will help to shape my critical thinking and cultural awareness due to immense scope that this offers. I know that by the end of this scholarship, with all the effort I will put in it, I will be a greatly qualified person with a greater ingenuity and new knowledge that I will use in any country.

Thanks to this scholarship I will go beyond Argentina. However, when I graduate, I would like to put everything I will learn during the exchange experience, during my career path together with my skills in works that are beneficial to my country and that help me develop as a person as well.