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Eric & Barbara Kinsella Scholarships Application Guide for Senior Freshman Students

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Eric & Barbara Kinsella Scholarships

In 2014, Eric & Barbara Kinsella established these scholarships to support talented engineering students to reach their full potential while studying at Trinity College Dublin.

Applications are now open for this year's scholarships and details on how to apply are included in this brochure.

All second year students on the Engineering (BAI/MAI) and Engineering with Management (BSc(Ing)/MAI) programmes who have successfully completed

their first year of study and achieved a minimum of a second-class honours in their first year examinations are eligible to apply.

Successful students receive a €5,000 scholarship per annum for the remainder of their degree in the School of Engineering, for up to four years of study.

Since they were established, 36 scholarships have been awarded, with the goal of there being a minimum of 20 scholarships at any one time in the School.

Across University, scholarships mean so much as they offer promising young scholars the best possible start to their careers. Deserving students will be able to concentrate on their studies, without financial constraints, and to achieve the most from their time at Trinity. They will gain the confidence and self-belief to stretch their ambitions and stand out in a competitive international jobs market.

Dr Linda Doyle, Provost



Applications for the Eric & Barbara Kinsella Scholarships are now open for 2023-24

We warmly encourage applications from students who are in their second year of study on the Engineering (BAI/MAI) or Engineering with Management (BSc(Ing)/MAI) programmes, having successfully completed their first year of study in Trinity College and have achieved a minimum of a second-class honours in their first year examinations.

Interested candidates must apply before **5pm on Friday, 13 October 2023** – unfortunately, it will not be possible to consider late applications.

To apply candidates must submit the following:

- A personal statement outlining your reasons for applying for this scholarship (Max 200 words)
- CV
- First year transcript from Trinity College Dublin

Applications should be emailed to:
Kinsellascholarships@espritinv.com

If you have any questions regarding the Eric & Barbara Kinsella Scholarships, please contact Professor Alan O'Connor, Head of School of Engineering: **oconnoaj@tcd.ie**

Short-listed candidates will be invited to interview in the week of the 23-27 October 2023.

Please note, scholarships are available to second year students on the engineering and engineering with management programmes only. Each award will be worth €5,000 per annum and will be tenable from the granting of the award until the completion of the student's studies on the particular programme to a maximum of four years for any one award. Preference will be given to candidates who are not currently in receipt of other scholarships. The continuation of an award from year to year will be subject to satisfactory academic performance at the annual examinations.



Eric & Barbara Kinsella Scholarship Alumni

'Kinsella Alumni' have started their careers in a wide variety of roles in prestigious companies including Accenture, AECOM, Arup, Cardinal Health, Hannover Re, HubSpot, Intel, and Jones Engineering, among others.

The Eric & Barbara Kinsella Scholarship enabled them to focus on their studies, maximise their potential and succeed in the competitive jobs market.



Since 2015, the Eric & Barbara Kinsella Scholarships are awarded to students of outstanding engineering potential within our Senior Freshman year. From speaking with previous scholarship recipients, this award has the potential to be life changing. I'd encourage all our eligible students to consider this opportunity and apply before the deadline. I wish you all the very best of luck with your application.

Professor Alan O'Connor
Head of School of Engineering

Eric & Barbara Kinsella Scholars

In their own words, some of the Eric & Barbara Kinsella Scholars share their scholarship experience.

2017



When I found out I was to be awarded the scholarship I was in disbelief. I was working part time at Lidl and the scholarship allowed me to reduce my hours, so I could focus more on my college work. The scholarship helped me to afford accommodation in Dublin which shortened my almost 2 hour commute each day. This would not have been possible if it weren't for the kindness and generosity of Eric and Barbara Kinsella.

Rory Nairn

2018

The scholarship has greatly impacted my life and college experience. Before receiving the scholarship, I was working 20+ hours a week while in college to support myself. The Scholarship allowed me to cut back on my part time work and really focus on college during term times. It is something I am extremely grateful for.



Karen Morrissey



Receiving the scholarship was a major deciding factor for me in which direction I wanted to take my engineering career in. With the scholarship I was able to work for Jones Engineering in 2019 at the National Rehabilitation Hospital in Dun Laoghaire as a Mechanical engineer. Together with the financial support from the scholarship I had one of the greatest years of my life as I was able to balance my study/ life. I am very grateful for the scholarship as it has immensely changed my life and it helped me become the person I am today.

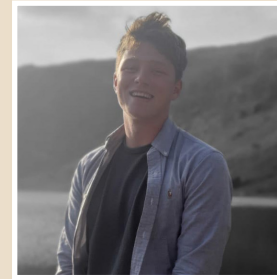
Mikolaj Piotrowski

I am extremely grateful for having received the Kinsella Scholarship. I was able to afford accommodation in Dublin for the first time, which cut out my daily multi-hour commute. The extra time I gained back not only allowed me to improve upon my grades, but I also got to engage with societies and college events more. I would like to thank Mr. Kinsella again for the incredible opportunities this scholarship has enabled me to pursue.



Charlie Maguire

As a recipient of the Kinsella Scholarship, the support afforded me much more peace of mind especially in the uncertain times of the last few years. The financial aid from the scholarship allowed me invest in a better working from home setup and In my final year I was glad to not have to worry about earning money and could focus entirely on the very important year ahead. What's more it allowed me more scope to look towards furthering my education or seeking a career after graduation.



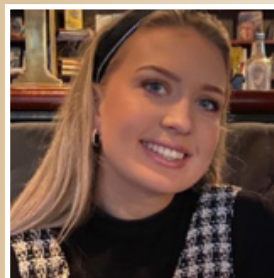
Jack Hartnett

The Eric and Barbara Kinsella Scholarship has encouraged my motivation towards my study in the field of engineering. The prestigious award gave me a chance to study harder and make a better participation in the advancement of technology. I would like to thank you for the opportunity given to me to work with Jones Engineering in the future. I am forever grateful for this golden opportunity.



Ritchie Sun

2019



The Eric and Barbara Kinsella Scholarship has been hands down the absolute best opportunity I have ever been afforded. I was able to achieve a First last year, and this is solely due to the scholarship as I did not have to worry about money to pay for college. It has given me the confidence to believe that I can be a great engineer. I will be forever grateful and thankful to the Kinsellas.

Michelle Gaughan

2021



I am very grateful for receiving the Kinsella Scholarship. This scholarship will allow me to move to an apartment closer to Trinity College. I will save a lot of time by reducing my long commute to and from the campus as I currently reside in Wexford. Being closer to the campus will allow me to take full advantage of all the outstanding facilities that are available at Trinity and to get more involved with my peers in the engineering community.

Wojciech Gajewicz

2020

With the transition back to full in person studies, I have been able to dive in with all my effort and ability to the coursework without financial worry or having to commute back to Kerry for work. The time I once spent at my job I have now dedicated to the formula student race car society where I am developing my skills in CAD, Finite Element Analysis, and product fabrication. These skills may well have been lost to me without the scholarship.

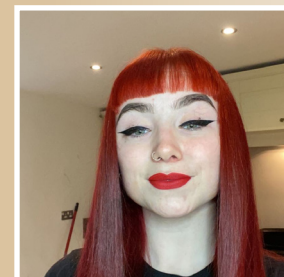


Stephen O'Sullivan

I'm so grateful for the amazing opportunity Eric and Barbara Kinsella have given me. Their kind support has helped relieve the financial burden of going to college, giving me the freedom to pursue my interests, explore what fascinates me and try to better the world as best I can. The future looks so exciting!

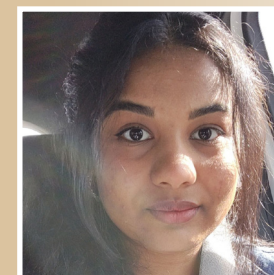


Emran Moustafa



Receiving the Kinsella Scholarship has made a huge difference to my life as having the scholarship took some financial pressure off paying rent whilst in college. It has given me a sense of security to decrease my stress as I can work less to focus on my studies. I would like to thank Eric & Barbara Kinsella for giving me this opportunity.

Toni Mockler



The Kinsella Scholarship has allowed me to focus on my education without worrying about college fees. It has taken an immense pressure off my family. It has really given me the confidence to believe that I can be a great engineer. I am very grateful and thankful to the Kinsella Scholarship programme for the opportunities I have been given.

Neha Jacob



About Eric Kinsella

Eric Kinsella founded Jones Engineering Group, an international engineering construction group based in Dublin which provides mechanical, electrical, instrumentation, fire protection and maintenance solutions for world-class clients throughout Europe and the Middle East. Eric is founder of ESPRIT Investments Ltd., an Irish investment and property development company and SARL Esprit du Midi, a French investment and property development company. He is a Chartered Engineer and a member of the Institution of Electrical Engineers, London and an M.Sc. graduate of Trinity College, awarded in 1970. Eric and his wife Barbara have generously supported Trinity College Dublin in the areas of student study facilities, scholarships, the new E3 Learning Foundry and interdisciplinary research projects. He is a member of the Provost's Council and was awarded an Honorary Doctorate Degree by Trinity College Dublin, in 2016.



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