2019
STUDENT LEADER
APPLICATION PACK

Applications close on Tuesday 31st October 2018

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About WE

UQ Women in Engineering Program (WE) is an award winning, gender equity program supported by its industry program partners: Rio Tinto, Powerlink Queensland, The Australian Power Institute (API) and Energy Queensland.

University-led and industry supported, WE inspires young women to consider a career in engineering. Through various educational activities and events, WE...

• Educate female high school students about engineering.
• Support female university engineering students.
• Connect with industry for a smooth workplace transition.

As a WE Student Leader you will get to:

• Attend key industry events such as the Celebrating Gender Diversity Cocktail Function.
• Attend and assist with high school student engagement activities including TSXPO, WE Explore Engineering Day, UQ Open Day and at high school career days and class presentations.
• Attend and assist with current student engagement activities including first phone calls and first year welcome lunches.
• Count your role towards the UQ Advantage Award Program.
• Develop your public speaking, networking and leadership skills through interactions with high school and undergraduate engineering students and industry.
• Help spread the message on the importance of diversity.
• Contribute ideas and opportunities to inspire young females to study engineering through social media and event promotion.

Key Dates

During the application process, please note the following key dates:

• Wednesday 31st October 2018: WE Student Leader applications close.
• Week commencing Monday 5th November 2018: Small group interviews (daytime and evening interviews available to accommodate work commitments). Please email us at we@eait.uq.edu.au if you are unable to attend interviews due to work or other commitments.
• Monday 19th November 2018: Applicants will be notified regarding if they were successful.
• February 2019 (date to be determined): compulsory training and welcome dinner for 2019 WE Student Leadership team.

Previous WE Leaders

• “The Women in Engineering movement at UQ has been an influential part of my student experience from start to finish. It has given me the opportunity to not only grow as an individual, but also provided me with the opportunity to witness the importance of reaching out to students considering engineering during their high school years. Being apart of the program has helped me develop many transferable skills such as, communication, teamwork and independent thinking” (Evan Burns, Student Leader 2017-18).
• “The professional connections and friendships you will gain from the program are second-to none” - Alice Naughton. Alice was a WE Student Leader in 2017 and now works as a Graduate Structural Engineer at AECOM.
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Scenario-based questions

1. You’re at a high school career expo and students are hesitant to approach you. What strategy/ies would you implement to engage with the students?

2. You’re asked by a high school student, “What is engineering and why did you choose to study engineering” – how would you succinctly explain this?

3. A colleague asks you, “Why are you so passionate about achieving gender balance in the engineering industry and why is a program such as UQ Women in Engineering needed? How would you answer?

Additional questions

A. The majority of UQ Women in Engineering events are during the peak university time (February - October). Demonstrate your ability to manage, prioritise and deliver on multiple commitments.

B. Identify opportunities and ideas to improve and grow the WE Program. Which one of these key tasks is your strength and demonstrate when and how you’ve successfully performed this task previously.

How to Apply

Submit the following by Wednesday, 31 October 2018:

- Cover letter
- Resume (one-page limit) that demonstrates your suitability for the role
- Criteria responses to the three scenario-based questions (800 character limit per question).

Email your application to: we@eait.uq.edu.au or deliver to: Attention of UQ Women in Engineering, EAIT Faculty Office, Level 7 Sir James Foot, Bldg 47A.

Application checklist

☑ Application includes a one page cover letter, one page CV and answers to scenario-based questions and two additional questions (maximum 800 characters each). PDF file format preferred.

☑ Application includes full name, UQ student number, contact phone number and email, engineering major and anticipated graduation date.

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