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SCHOLARSHIP GUIDANCE

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

Name of Scholarship	Ninja Kiwi Scholarship
Decision Making Panel <i>Decision panel members may access your student record and utilise their knowledge of your academic performance as part of the decision making process.</i>	A representative from : Ninja Kiwi A representative from : Division of Games and Arts A representative from : Student Services

SCHOLARSHIP BACKGROUND AND INFORMATION

The Ninja Kiwi Scholarship is open to students who are entering Year 4 of the following Games courses:

- Computer Arts
- Computer Game Applications Development
- Computer Games Technology
- Game Design and Production

This one-year scholarship of £1,500 is aimed at a well-rounded individual who is considered academically bright, driven, ambitious and interested to work in the games industry.

The successful candidate will also undertake a four-week paid placement at Ninja Kiwi as the culmination of their scholarship. The candidate will join one of the development teams; however, this will depend on their experience and the course that they are studying. There will also be opportunities to work in other areas of the organisation such as creating marketing materials and extra tools. Further information on the work placement will be discussed during the interview.

Shortlisted students for the scholarship will be asked to attend an interview.

The placement will begin at the end of May 2020 or early June 2020 in the Dundee Office. Hours of work will be Monday to Friday 9am – 5pm.

Further Information – Ninja Kiwi Europe

Ninja Kiwi is one of the world's leading developers and publishers for web and mobile. Founded as Digital Goldfish in 2005 by two graduates from Abertay University, the company went on to be acquired in 2012 by

New Zealand based Ninja Kiwi. They have accumulated over 100 million downloads on the AppStores. Their hit franchises include Bloons, Bloons TD and SAS: Zombie Assault. Ninja Kiwi office in Dundee is co-managed by Abertay graduates David Hamilton and Barry Petrie.

WHAT KIND OF FUNDING IS AVAILABLE?

A £1,500 scholarship will be awarded to one successful applicant. The award will be paid in two instalments.

First instalment: 30 November 2019

Second instalment: 30 April 2020

Paid 4-week summer work placement –Pay will be agreed prior to the successful student being asked to accept the scholarship.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be considered for this scholarship applicants must meet **all** of the following criteria:

- Be commencing Year 4 of any of the above games courses mentioned.
- Be able to take part in the 4-week work placement at Ninja Kiwi. Exact date to be confirmed but it is anticipated that the students must be available to start at the end of May 2020 or beginning of June 2020.
- Be able to demonstrate in the application form that that they are ambitious and keen to work in the games industry.
- Be willing to take part in publicity materials for the scholarship if successful.
- Be willing to meet a Ninja Kiwi Representative and/or write a letter of thanks for the scholarship if successful.

AWARD CONDITIONS

Applicants must be willing and able to meet the following award conditions if successful:

1. <i>To write a Thank You letter addressed to the Award Donor</i>
2. <i>To give permission for elements of your Thank You letter to be quoted for promotional materials</i>
3. <i>To meet with the Donor at the Donors request</i>
4. <i>To take part in promotional activity relating to this Award</i>
5. <i>To undertake a work placement opportunity in May or June 2020. This will be discussed at the interview.</i>

HOW CAN I APPLY?

Applications may be downloaded and completed on a device or printed and completed by hand. A typed signature may be accepted where the application has been completed electronically.

Applications must be submitted with the **supporting evidence** detailed below.

EVIDENCE AND DEADLINE

Evidence to be attached:

- A written Academic Reference i.e. Lecturer or tutor
- A written Employment reference from a previous employer (optional)
- Student Funding Letter of Award (SAAS / Student Finance award letter/Other sponsor if applicable)

Closing date: **Monday 14th October 2019**

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Completed applications and evidence should be submitted to the Advisory Service in one of the following ways:

In person

Applications may be submitted in person at an Advisory Drop in session. Please allow time for your application to be checked by the member of staff receiving it.

By Email

Applications may be sent from your student or university registered personal email address to advisory@abertay.ac.uk. You will receive an automated response to confirm your email has been received. Please take this as confirmation of receipt. Applications will not be accepted from 3rd party email addresses.

By Post

Ideally applications should be submitted in person or by email however we can accept applications by post to the address below. Please be aware that there may be a delay in your application being received even if being sent by first class post.

Address: *The Advisory Service, Bernard King Library, Abertay University, Bell Street, Dundee, DD1 1HG*

APPLICATION QUERIES AND ASSISTANCE

Staff in the Advisory Service can offer support and guidance with the application process including:

- Feedback on the first draft of your personal statement by email or at a Drop In
- Application checking face to face at a Drop In
- Advice on where to look for opportunities
- Eligibility queries for awards that we administer
- Evidence queries

*Please make contact at **least 4 weeks before the application deadline** to ensure that there is adequate time for a member of staff to look at your email and for you to make alterations based on the feedback provided.*

To check the available **drop in times** or to make an **appointment** with a Student Advisor use the link below or call SEZ on 01382 308833:

<https://abertayconnectservices.abertay.ac.uk/home.html>

Email queries may be sent to advisory@abertay.ac.uk however please allow time for a response and consider other means of contact in the first instance if your query is time sensitive.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application by email at the earliest opportunity.

The Advisory Service

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