TELSTRA is offering 3rd and 4th Year students at the School of Electrical & Information Engineering, one Major Industrial Project Placement Scheme (MIPPS) scholarship for 26 weeks worth $13,000, and 2 Summer and Research Placement Project Scholarships (SARPPS) for 12 weeks over the summer plus 2 days per week part-time over semester 1, worth $10,000 each in 2011, to students with a strong academic record, and appropriate personal qualities, who expect to graduate with credit and above and enroll in their final year in 2011. The Scholarship payments will be made to the student as a monthly stipend over the whole year of their enrolment. These payments are subject to ongoing satisfactory performance on the project.

MIPPS and SARPPS are programs unique in Engineering in this country, and have been seen as highly successful and very worthwhile, both by industry and by the students concerned. The objective is for outstanding students to spend time in industry undertaking high-level industrial projects during the course of their fourth or fifth year of studies. Successful students will work under industrial direction, but supported by an academic associate supervisor from the School.

Successful completion of the programs will earn the following credits towards the degree:
- **MIPPS** program: 24 credits, comprising ELEC4702 Practical Experience, ELEC4712/13 Honours Thesis A/B, plus two units of study (elective or core, to be determined by the director of the student’s degree program)
- **SARPPS** program: 12 credits, comprising ELEC4702 Practical Experience and ELEC4712/13 Honours Thesis A/B

The successful MIPPS/SARPPS candidates still need to meet the reporting and presentation requirements of ELEC4712/13 Honours Thesis A/B, which will be based on their MIPPS/SARPPS projects.

Eligible students must:
- expect to enroll in Honours Thesis A and B (ELEC4712 and ELEC4713) in 2011; and
- have a record and an approach to work and responsibilities which indicate a potential to graduate with Credit and above.

The programs will run from December 2010 to June 2011. No other vacation work will be required. Sponsors will pay for travelling and provide living-away assistance for out-of-Sydney locations. The School will allocate successful students to sponsors. We will take into consideration students’ preferences and other relevant criteria as far as possible, but we must make the final decision. In applying, you then agree to accept the allocation which will eventually be offered. Sponsors may offer the successful recipient eventual employment, however, there is no obligation to make or accept any offer.

Applications should be sent to: Sylvia Pyman, Administrator, EIE General Office, Room 405. Email: sylvia at ee dot usyd dot edu dot au. You are required to provide your academic record (which you may obtain from the School’s General Office) and a letter of 1 or 2 pages only, about yourself , your wider interests and achievements and how a scholarship would benefit you. Include your contact details, to the end of the academic year, and if available, for the summer.

Closing Time for both MIPPS/SARPPS: Tuesday 23 November, 2010

We expect to hold interviews from Monday 29 November, 2010

IMPORTANT: When applying here, continue to apply for and discuss other vacation work. Consult: Dr Guoqiang Mao if a decision has to be made about a vacation position before you have a reply to your MIPPS/SARPPS application.

Enquiries and further information from: Dr Craig Jin, 9351 7208 or Email: craig dot jin at sydney dot edu dot au