



## STUDENT PRIZE 2010

### Invitation to participate – **CLOSING DATE 30 August 2010**

The New Zealand Geotechnical Society wishes to recognise and encourage student participation in the fields of rock mechanics, soil mechanics, geotechnical engineering and engineering geology.

**TWO REGIONS:** North Island and South Island

**TWO AWARDS:** One for each region valued at NZ \$1,000 plus certificate

#### REQUIREMENTS:

- Candidates are required to present an 800 words or less typed abstract on any aspect of, or topic in the field of, geotechnical engineering and/or engineering geology.
- Finalists will be invited to present their topic in person at a branch meeting in Auckland and/or Christchurch in September/October 2010.
- Presentations will be 15 minutes followed by 5 minutes of questions.
- Awards are open to both current undergraduate and postgraduate full time students of a recognised tertiary institution in New Zealand.

#### FINALISTS WILL BE ASSESSED ON THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA

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| Written abstract 10%       | Content 10%             |
| Structure 20%              | Visual presentation 20% |
| Clarity of explanation 20% | Question handling 10%   |
| Time 10%                   |                         |

The prizes shall be awarded to the finalists who are judged to have made the best presentation according to the above criteria.

The judges' decision shall be final.

**ABSTRACTS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING AND CLOSE 30 AUGUST 2010.** Please provide author details, your abstract and university affiliation to the branch co-ordinator in your region as listed below.

For further information or to join the Society (membership is free for students) please visit our website [www.nzgs.org](http://www.nzgs.org) or contact the Society Management Secretary at [secretary@nzgs.org](mailto:secretary@nzgs.org)

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