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## **BEL Presents Seven University of Belize Students with Tuition Scholarships and Announces Full Engineering Scholarship to MUN**

For the seventh consecutive year, Belize Electricity Limited (BEL) presented tuition scholarships to students pursuing studies at the University of Belize (UB).

To date, 54 students have benefited from the program. Selections were based on academic merit, financial need and level of community involvement. Scholarships are renewable for 2 years.

This year's seven awardees were announced during a ceremony held this morning in Belize City. They are:



The seven awardees were presented with scholarships during a ceremony this morning at the Radisson Fort George Hotel. (l - r: Yamani Rodriguez, Mitylene Bailey, Mildred Larios, Renita Pop, Kesha Peyrefitte, Veronica Rivas, Ulyses Augustine)

### **Associate Degree Level:**

1. **Renita Pop** of San Miguel, Toledo District – Certificate, Practical Nursing

### **Bachelor Degree Level:**

2. **Mitylene Bailey** of Hattieville, Belize District – Biology
3. **Ulyses Augustine** of Orange Walk Town, Orange Walk District – English Education
4. **Veronica Rivas** of Independence Village, Stann Creek District – Primary Education
5. **Yamani Rodriguez** of San Ignacio Town, Cayo District – Information Technology
6. **Mildred Larios** of Orange Walk Town, Orange Walk District – Business Administration
7. **Kesha Peyrefitte** of Camalote Village, Cayo District – English

BEL's President & CEO Lynn Young presented the scholarships saying "Programs of study chosen by this year's awardees reflect the diverse fields that continue to contribute to the ongoing development of Belize. These students were selected from a highly competitive field of applicants from across the country."

He also took the opportunity to announce that, commencing 2008, the Company will be expanding its Scholarship Program to students interested in pursuing a Bachelor Degree in Engineering from the Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada.

This full scholarship, valued at approximately BZ\$40,000 per academic year, is aimed at developing the pool of engineers and technical professionals currently in the country. Interested applications can look out for details in the media later this year. The awardee must complete a four year program to obtain the degree. This scholarship will be offered biennially.

BEL's Scholarship Program is one of several donations under the Company's Community Initiative which aims, throughout the year, to support as many individuals and organizations that are in need of financial assistance.

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