



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Second Year University Student - Graduate Women NSW City Branch Award

The aim of this award is to enable a mature Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander woman to attend university in her second year of study, having completed the first year of study at a satisfactory academic level.

Duration: A maximum of one (1) year

Value: \$2,000.00 per annum

Eligibility:

- Woman is 25 years of age or over at the time of application
- Enrolled in second year in a university in NSW or ACT, having completed first year with a minimum Credit level in all first year subjects
- Resident in NSW or ACT
- Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander

Level of Study: Undergraduate only

Attendance: Full time only

Financial hardship is an essential prerequisite. Other disadvantages which have impeded attending university will be considered, for example:

- Carer responsibilities
- Sole parenthood
- Disrupted schooling
- Disability or medical condition.

Applications must include:

- Proof of age
- Proof of enrolment in year of application
- PDF copy of original for all university results including those subjects completed in your present course
- Confirmation of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander identity. Candidates must self identify and either 1) be accepted by the local Aboriginal community as Aboriginal and provide a letter of confirmation by an Aboriginal organisation, e.g. the local Aboriginal Land Council or 2) provide a Statutory Declaration and two written references from Aboriginal people in the area where the candidate lives confirming Aboriginal identity.

- Description of hardship with supporting information. Documentation to demonstrate real and enduring financial hardship (e.g. Centrelink means-tested income support payments) and evidence of other hardship.
- An academic referee with current contact details. Shortlisted candidates will be asked to attend an interview. A further personal referee will be requested at this time.
- A single A4 page summary of educational history so far, with reasons for wanting to attend university and why it has proved impossible previously. Outline the difference that a university education and degree will make to your life and future.

Applications:

- Should be in PDF format
- Attentioned to: Secretary of Graduate Women NSW City Branch
- Sent to: sueflaxman@gmail.com

APPLICATION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 27, 2021. Late applications will not be accepted.
