



## **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.
- **A4 PAGE STATEMENT** including your educational history so far and the difference that this award would make to further progress towards completion of your degree.

**Applications:**

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

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: 25 JUNE, 2021.** Late applications will not be accepted.

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