



NSW Teachers Federation 2019 FUTURE TEACHER SCHOLARSHIPS



INFORMATION

The NSW Teachers Federation (NSWTF) is a Union that works to promote public education, as well as defend and improve teaching and learning conditions in public schools, TAFE and other public education workplaces.

The Future Teacher Scholarships are an example of the Federation's ongoing support for public education and the Union's commitment to building and supporting the teaching profession in public schools.

This year the NSW Teachers Federation is providing 15 Future Teacher Scholarships, with a value of \$4000 each, 2 of which are funded on behalf of the Retired Teachers Association.

The NSW Teachers Federation Future Teacher Scholarships Committee will award 15 scholarships to successful applicants across the following five (5) categories:

- ★ Future teachers (Open to all applicants);
- ★ Future teachers who identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander;
- ★ Future teachers from a rural or remote area (significant distance from the nearest tertiary institution);
- ★ Future teachers in their first year of a teacher education program; and
- ★ Future teachers from a Language Background Other Than English (LBOTE).

Applicants may nominate more than one category of scholarship in their application if appropriate.

One scholarship will be awarded to an applicant who demonstrates a strong commitment to the environment and social justice causes in memory of the late John Kaye.

In order to be considered, tertiary students must:

- be an Australian citizen or permanent resident;
- be enrolled in an NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) accredited initial teacher education program in NSW;
- be a student member of the NSW Teachers Federation;
- have completed year 12 (or equivalent) at a public school or TAFE, preferably within NSW*;
- complete the application process including addressing, in writing, each of the appropriate sections in the application form and submitting a demonstration of understanding of the value of public education and the value of unions to society; and
- address the criteria unique to the scholarship category/s for which they have applied.

* These scholarships recognise the contribution of NSW public school teachers and their commitment to public education and their Union.

As the NSW Teachers Federation seeks to assist as many aspiring public education teachers as possible, previous scholarship recipients are not eligible to apply.

**Applications close at 4pm on Friday 26 April 2019
Late applications WILL NOT be considered.**

Where possible, applications should be made online: www.nswtf.org.au/pages/future-teacher-scholarships.html

Applications can also be submitted:

By post: Future Teacher Scholarships Committee
NSW Teachers Federation
Locked Bag 3010
Darlinghurst NSW 1300

IMPORTANT: Standard mail arriving after 4pm Friday 26 April will be deemed late; Express Post posted on or before Wednesday 24 April will be accepted after the deadline if a receipt to verify the date mailed is also enclosed.

Hand delivery: Ground Floor Reception, Teachers Federation House
23 – 33 Mary St, Surry Hills NSW 2010

Email: futureteachers@nswtf.org.au

Fax: 02 9217 2368

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GUIDELINES: The Application Form

Where possible, applications should be made on-line www.nswtf.org.au/pages/future-teacher-scholarships
When attaching scanned documents to the on-line application form, please use .pdf where possible.

A. Member Information

If you are not already a student member of the NSW Teachers Federation, please complete a student membership form on-line www.nswtf.org.au/forms/student-membership-application-form and leave the 'Member No.' field on the form blank.

If you have already applied for student membership but have not yet received your membership number, please write the word "APPLIED" in the 'Member No.' field.

B. Scholarship Categories

All applicants are eligible for the **Open** category. You can apply for consideration under any of the additional categories if you meet the criteria of that category.

If you are applying for consideration under the **Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander** category, the **Language Background Other Than English** category or **Rural or Remote** category, you **MUST** complete the relevant additional section (see below).

C. Education Details

You are required to answer all questions. If you did not complete year 12, indicate your final year of secondary study and the public school or TAFE college attended. If you did not attend a public school within NSW, please name the school and town* where your public school was located.

**please include State, and Country if outside Australia*

D. Documents to attach to your application form

Note: 'JP' refers to a Justice of the Peace. JPs are usually located at banks and/or post offices and some universities.

1. Original Submission

Your original, one-page submission demonstrating your understanding of the value of public education, the value of unions to society and your commitment to both of these should be one **A4 page only, in 11-point** of a standard business font (Arial, Times New Roman, Calibri). Your submission will be a major deciding factor in the Committee's recommendation of successful scholarship recipients and may be used for publication.

2. Australian Citizenship or Permanent Residency

A copy of your birth certificate, passport or other document/s proving Australian Citizenship or permanent residency must be submitted, certified by a JP. **Please DO NOT send originals.**

3. Statement of Understanding (SOU)

The SOU indicates that you agree to the conditions of the scholarship should you be successful, and is on page 3 of your application form. You need to have your signature witnessed by a JP.

4. Proof of Enrolment in 2019

This **MUST** be for an NESA accredited tertiary teacher education program, in which you are currently enrolled, not planning to enrol in the future.

5. Previous year's academic results OR HSC results

A copy of your results for the previous year of tertiary study or, if you are a first-year education student, a copy of your HSC should be certified by a JP and included in your application. **Please DO NOT send originals if mailing.**

6. Your Referee's Statement of Support

Your referee needs to complete **section F** of the application form. A template for the statement has also been included in the application form, page 4.



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E. Commitment to Public Education and the NSW Teachers Federation

Only tick items that currently apply.

F. Referee Details

Your referee needs to include their details, including their NSWTF member number. The referee also needs to verify that they have typed and signed the statement in support of your application for a Future Teacher Scholarship.

Referees may be contacted to verify their statement.

A student member cannot be a referee for the purposes of a Future Teacher Scholarship application.

G. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander category

If you have nominated in this category, you MUST complete **Section G** in order to be considered. If you have ticked the category but do not address the criteria, you will only be considered under the Open category.

H. Language Background Other Than English (LBOTE) category

If you have nominated in this category, you MUST complete **Section H** in order to be considered. If you have ticked the category but do not address the criteria, you will only be considered under the Open category.

I. Rural or Remote category

If you have nominated in this category, you MUST complete **Section I** in order to be considered. If you have ticked the category but do not address the criteria, you will only be considered under the Open category.

Your Application

You should keep your own copy of everything submitted to NSW Teachers Federation. If you are posting your application DO NOT submit originals of certificates etc. as part of your application. Your application and any documents supporting your application will not be returned to you.

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