

NSW Aboriginal Land Council

Educational Scholarship (NES)



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The NSW Aboriginal Land Council (**NSWALC**) is the State's peak representative body for Aboriginal people and our affairs and the largest member-based Aboriginal organisation in NSW, with more than 29,000 members across 121 Local Aboriginal Land Councils (**LALCs**).

Established under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 NSW (**ALRA**), NSWALC aims to protect the interests and further the aspirations of its members and the broader Aboriginal community through, working for the return of culturally significant and economically viable land, pursuing cultural, social and economic independence for our people and being politically proactive in voicing the position of Aboriginal people in issues that affect them.

How are we funded?

The Land Council network, including NSWALC, is self-funded and financially independent of government.

For more on the history and achievements of Land Rights in NSW, see our website alc.org.au.

What careers opportunities exist at NSWALC?

The work undertaken by NSWALC to achieve the aspirations of those who came before us, and the goals contained within our strategic plan is multifaceted and ambitious. Today, NSWALC has five strategic goals that build on this foundation: secure our land and water rights; protect our culture and heritage; pursue economic independence, prosperity and security for our peoples; support our people; and secure our future.

To achieve these goals, we need people with expertise in

- Law
- Policy and Advocacy
- Human Rights
- Commercial Property
- Business & Management
- Media and Communications
- Information Technology
- Land, Environment and Planning

NSWALC will consider applicants in other disciplines who can demonstrate a clear link between their studies and our work.

NSWALC wants to be the employer of choice for current and future generations of Aboriginal professionals with the knowledge and skills we need to achieve our goals and secure the future of the Land Rights Network.



Last year's recipient, Abby Newlin a Worimi woman from Port Stephens, living in Newcastle. She is studying a Bachelor of Business/Bachelor of Commerce at Newcastle University.

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About the Scholarship

What does the scholarship offer?

The NSWALC Educational Scholarship provides financial support and valuable on-the-job experience for eligible Aboriginal university students who want to pursue a professional career in the Land Rights network.

The scholarship is awarded for one-year and includes:

- \$10,000 for expenses, paid in two lump sums of \$5,000
- A six-week paid internship in a NSWALC Business Unit relevant to the recipient's area of study

Applying for the Scholarship

How do I apply?

Eligible Aboriginal university students interested in applying can visit the [Educational Scholarship](#) page on our website for more information including the Application Form and NSWALC Educational Scholarship Policy which provides details on determining your eligibility.

Applications for the NSWALC Educational Scholarship close at **5:00pm on Thursday 31 August 2023.**

Please call NSWALC's Program Implementation Unit on **02 9689 4444** for more information or email scholarships@alc.org.au.

Visit our website [here](#) or scan the QR code below.



<https://alc.org.au/educational-scholarship/>

NSWALC Educational Scholarship FAQs

What is the penultimate year?

The penultimate year is your second last year of study.

Is the internship paid or unpaid?

Paid. Interns will be paid an entry level grade salary, pro-rata for the duration of the internship (six weeks).

Do I have to undertake the internship component?

Completing the six-week internship is a condition of the scholarship.

Do I have to be enrolled full-time at university?

Yes.

Do I have to be a member of a Local Aboriginal Land Council?

Yes. NSWALC will only accept Confirmation of Membership from a Local Aboriginal Land Council.

What if I have a disability or am experiencing barriers to accessing this Scholarship?

NSWALC wants to ensure the scholarship is accessible for all potential applicants. If you are experiencing any barriers or issues in the application process, or you anticipate barriers to participation in the scholarship program, please contact us on **(02) 9689 4444** or at scholarships@alc.org.au.

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