



GTANSW Conference Bursary

In 2017, GTANSW is offering TWO bursaries to attend the Annual Conference at Novotel, Sydney Olympic Park on Thursday 9 and Friday 10 March 2017.

Please note, the bursaries are available only to **individual** GTANSW members

Priority will be given to teachers who are either in the early years of their career (less than 5 years); are a primary teacher; or are an experienced teacher who has only recently started teaching Geography (within the last two years) and it is an 'out-of field' teaching subject.

For the successful applicants, bursaries will cover conference registration fees and access to the HSC Geography Review evening. Additionally, and only where appropriate, the bursary will also cover two night's accommodation at Sydney Olympic Park and airfares or other reasonable travel costs (such as coach, rail or car travel). The bursary does not include costs associated with social events or other additional expenses incurred.

Applications will be shortlisted by the four Vice-Presidents of GTANSW. The shortlist will be circulated to the GTANSW Council and a preferential vote will take place to determine the successful bursary recipients. Bursary winners will be notified by telephone during week starting Monday 13 February 2017.

It is a requirement of the bursary process that recipients will develop and submit one article for the GTANSW journal (*Geography Bulletin*) during 2017 which is based on their learning experience gained from the Conference and ideas about how to implement this learning into their teaching context.



Selection criteria

Applicants are required to address the following questions:

Identify and justify your perceived strength(s) in the teaching of Geography

Explain two challenges you are encountering in the teaching of Geography and **evaluate** the success (or otherwise) of strategies you have used to overcome these challenges (can include one potential strategy)

Explain why you believe attending the 2017 GTANSW Annual Conference will help improve your capacity as a Geography teacher

It is an expectation of the GTANSW Council that a bursary application would include reference to academic literature relevant to geographical education; identification of specific items from the Conference program; and clear examples of recent teaching or professional experience scenarios, where appropriate.

The application is to be completed online using the following link:

<https://goo.gl/forms/tyS7ohIBSXZuXqMB2>

Closing date for entries is **6pm, Monday 6 February 2017**.

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