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Overview

The **Bullwinkel Scholars Leadership Program Scholarship** forms part of the Bullwinkel Scholars Program, funded by the Bullwinkel Project. Scholarship recipients are known as the Bullwinkel Scholars. Twenty-one scholarships honour the nurses, with an additional scholarship awarded in the name of Vivian Bullwinkel.

Valued up to \$10,000 for enrolment into an appropriate ACN Institute of Leadership program together with a contribution towards the cost of attending. There are 21 scholarships available. Applicants must be a registered nurse and meet the relevant prerequisites for the Leadership program they wish to complete and agree to the ACN Foundation Scholarship Terms and Conditions.

Applications close **11:59pm AEDT, Sunday, 18 October 2026.**

Number of scholarships: 21

Value of scholarship: \$10,000

ACN Institute of Leadership Programs

Under the Bullwinkel Scholars Leadership Program Scholarship, there are three Leadership Programs available:

Nurse Manager Leadership Program

[The Nurse Manager Leadership Program](#) — A career developer for those in, or those aspiring to, nurse unit management roles, focused on building practical skills to influence and manage self, others, resources, and operations, benefiting staff, the community, and those receiving care.

Nurse Director Leadership Program

[The Nurse Director Leadership Program](#) — A career consolidator for driven nurses who want to supplement their professional experience with a challenging leadership intensive to advance their careers.

Nurse Executive Leadership Program

[The Nurse Executive Leadership Program](#) — A career accelerator for ambitious nurses who want to strengthen their influence and command respect and recognition.

If you require further information or require assistance to complete your application form, please contact the Scholarships Team.

Phone: 1800 061 660 (charges may apply)

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Email: scholarships@acn.edu.au

Frequently asked questions

How do I navigate through the application?

Use the menu on the left to move through the questions.

Do I have to complete the application in one sitting?

No, you are able to save information entered in the application and return to it without submitting it. Just remember to keep a record of your username and password.

How do I save the information I have already entered?

Clicking on the menu or 'save and continue' button will save your information.

What does the asterisk (*) mean?

Questions with an asterisk must be completed.

Are late applications accepted?

No, applications must be submitted before 11:59 pm Sunday 18 October 2026. After this time, applications will no longer be available.

Am I able to make any changes once I have submitted my application?

No, you cannot make any changes once an application is submitted. If your contact details change prior to notification, please email the new details to the Scholarships Team at scholarships@acn.edu.au.

When will I be notified if I am successful?

You will be advised the outcome of your application by end of November 2026.

What documents do I need to supply?

If your application is successful, you will be required to provide certain documents. Further information on what documents will be required is provided in the application guidelines.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Only the information you provide in this application will be considered.

You must answer all questions in the application as incomplete applications will not be considered for selection.

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This application is to apply for a scholarship only. This is not an application for admission to an educational institution.

Guidelines

Eligibility criteria

Nurse Manager Leadership Program

To be eligible to apply for the scholarship to undertake this program applicants must:

- Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Australia.
- Hold a current registration as a Registered Nurse with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA).
- Have a minimum of three years postgraduate experience.
- Currently hold a Nurse Manager role or aspiring to a management position.
- Be able to identify an area for development that will be addressed by this scholarship and how you will apply the learnings in your practice.
- Demonstrate leadership qualities in nursing and/or the health or aged care systems.
- Be able to attend five-day face-to-face masterclass at the chosen location of the program.

Nurse Director Leadership Program

To be eligible to apply for a scholarship to undertake this program applicants must:

- Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Australia.
- Hold a current registration as a Registered Nurse with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA).
- Have a minimum of six years postgraduate experience or be able to demonstrate an ability to influence organisations, team practices and/or cultures, such as nurse leaders seeking promotion into a management position.
- Be able to demonstrate leadership qualities in nursing and/or the health or aged care systems, such as recently appointed managers seeking to fast-track their development into confident self-directed leaders.
- Have an ability to complete the program work during the six-month period.
- Be able to attend four-day face-to-face masterclass at the chosen location of the program (17 – 20 May 2027 in Melbourne).

Nurse Executive Leadership Program

To be eligible to apply for the scholarship to undertake this program applicants must:

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- Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident in Australia.
- Hold a current registration as a Registered Nurse with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA).
- Have a minimum of six years' postgraduate experience and be able to demonstrate an ability to meet the requirements of [ACN's Nurse Executive Capability Framework](#).
- Be able to demonstrate experience at the nurse executive level or an ability to work at the nurse executive level.
- Have an ability to complete the program work during the six-month period.
- Be able to attend four-day face-to-face masterclass at the chosen location of the program (17 – 20 May 2027 in Melbourne).

Selection criteria

Applications are open to registered nurses from all specialities within the nursing profession who aspire to be a leader at whatever stage of their career, who can demonstrate their commitment to:

- The nursing profession.
- Their own investment in personal and professional development.
- Contribute over and above their position description to deliver the care that all Australians deserve.
- Successful applicants will demonstrate the attributes and qualities that have cemented the respect and regard the nursing profession holds today.

Applications that do not demonstrate commitment to the nursing profession, improving patient and health outcomes, or exemplify the values of the nurses who made the ultimate sacrifice on Radji Beach, Bangka Island will not be considered.

Documents required

- Proof of Australian citizenship or permanent resident of Australia (birth certificate, passport, VEVO or visa papers).
- Current CV.
- Current AHPRA nurse registration.
- Identification such as drivers license or passport.
- Name change evidence (if name appears different on documents).
- A letter of support from the applicant's supervisor outlining their ability to complete the program within the required timeframe.

Successful recipient requirements

Each successful recipient will be required to:

- Undertake and complete the approved course or program.

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- Meet all attendance, participation and assessment requirements associated with the selected program.
- Provide a written report to the ACN Foundation at the conclusion of your certificate or program outlining how the scholarship has impacted on your professional development and how the program benefited your workplace or community.

Selection questions

- 1.How do you individually make a difference in your own workplace to advance the nursing profession?
- 2.How would becoming a Bullwinkel Scholar advance your career and current leadership skills from where they are currently to where you aspire to be?
- 3.Based on your research of the Radji Beach Nurses, how do you anticipate that their narrative of dedication and sacrifice will impact your nursing career?

Personal details

* indicates a required field

Applicant *

Title	First Name	Last Name

Applicant Middle name

Applicant Previous Family name

Date of birth *

Must be a date.

Gender

If other:

Program Selection

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* indicates a required field

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Select the program you wish to apply for: *

Eligibility check

* indicates a required field

Disclaimer

If you answer no to the Citizenship / Residency and AHPRA questions on this page - you are NOT eligible for this scholarship. You will not be able to submit this form. Please note: If successful you will be required to provide evidence time of accepting.

Citizenship / Residency

Are you an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia *

☐ Yes ☐ No

Please upload your proof of Australian citizenship or permanent residency of Australia (birth certificate, passport, VEVO or visa papers) *

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Please upload a copy of your ID (drivers licence or passport). *

Attach a file:

Nurse Manager Leadership Program

Do you have a minimum of three years postgraduate experience? *

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you currently hold a Nurse Manager role or aspiring to a management position? *

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you able to identify an area for development that will be addressed by this scholarship and how you will apply the learnings in your practice? *

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you demonstrate leadership qualities in nursing and/or the health or aged care systems? *

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you able to attend five-day face-to-face masterclass at the chosen location of the program? *

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Nurse Director Leadership Program

Do you have a minimum of six years postgraduate experience or be able to demonstrate an ability to influence organisations, team practices and/or cultures, such as nurse leaders seeking promotion into a management position? *

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you able to demonstrate leadership qualities in nursing and/or the health or aged care systems, such as recently appointed managers seeking to fast-track their development into confident self-directed leaders? *

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do you have an ability to complete the program work during the six-month period? *

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you able to attend four-day face-to-face masterclass at the chosen location of the program (17 - 20 May 2027 in Melbourne)? *

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

Nurse Executive Leadership Program

Do you have a minimum of six years' postgraduate experience and be able to demonstrate an ability to meet the requirements of ACN's Nurse Executive Capability Framework? *

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☐ Yes

☐ No

Are you able to demonstrate experience at the nurse executive level or an ability to work at the nurse executive level? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Do you have the ability to complete the program work during the six-month period? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Are you able to attend four-day face-to-face masterclass at the chosen location of the program (17 - 20 May 2027 in Melbourne)? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

AHPRA

(Registration numbers can be accessed from the [AHPRA website](#))

Are you currently registered with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) as a Registered Nurse? *

☐ Yes

☐ No

AHPRA Registration Number: (Should start with NMW followed by 10 numbers) *

Must be equal to 13 characters.

Please upload your AHPRA Registration. *

Attach a file:

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

If you have passed the eligibility questions, the next page (Ineligibility page) will have (Not Applicable). Please click 'Next Page' at the bottom of the page and continue on.

Ineligibility

* indicates a required field

Unfortunately your answer to the last question makes you ineligible for this scholarship. If you disagree or have any concerns please contact the Scholarships Team scholarships@acn.edu.au. *

Contact details

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* indicates a required field

Address *

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

Preferred Contact Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Alternate Phone Number

Must be an Australian phone number.

Preferred Contact Email *

Must be an email address.

Alternate Email

Must be an email address.

Please note:

It is the responsibility of all applicants to ensure that their contact details are correct, and that it is possible for ACN to contact them if required. If you change your postal address or preferred email address, please email the Scholarships Team at scholarships@acn.edu.au. ACN uses email as its main form of communication therefore all applicants are required to supply an email address that is checked on a regular basis. If there is a need to speak with you, this will be during standard business hours (9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday, Sydney/Canberra time). The contact details provided on this application will be used for notification. Notification of the outcome of your application is expected by end of June 2026. ACN will make all reasonable attempts to contact you.

Current employment

* indicates a required field

Who is your current employer? *

What is your work area? *

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What is your role? *

Workplace Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Workplace Address *

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

Workplace Email *

Must be an email address.

Workplace Website

Must be a URL.

Please upload a letter of support from your supervisor outlining your ability to complete the program within the required timeframe. *

Attach a file:

Selection criteria

* indicates a required field

ACN recommends you:

- Prepare your response in another document and cut and paste into the boxes below.
- Double check that you have pasted the correct response to the relevant selection question before you submit your application.
- Save your responses at regular intervals as this page will refresh after 30 minutes and your responses may be lost. If this page refreshes and your responses have been lost, ACN **cannot** retrieve this information.

1. How do you individually make a difference in your own workplace to advance the nursing profession? (Maximum 300 words) *

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Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

2. How would becoming a Bullwinkel Scholar advance your career and current leadership skills from where they are currently to where you aspire to be? (Maximum 300 words) *

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

3. Based on your research of the Radji Beach Nurses, how do you anticipate that their narrative of dedication and sacrifice will impact your nursing career? (Maximum 300 words) *

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

Please upload your CV. *

Attach a file:

CV is your resume.

Marketing information

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How did you hear about this scholarship? *

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| ☐ ACN eNewsletter | ☐ Linkedin |
| ☐ ACN National Nurses Breakfast | ☐ neo |
| ☐ ACN website | ☐ Nurseclick blog |
| ☐ CNnect | ☐ Nursing & Health Expo |
| ☐ E-flyer | ☐ Professional network/organisation |
| ☐ Education provider | ☐ School |
| ☐ Education institution | ☐ The Hive |
| ☐ Email from ACN | ☐ Tik-Tock |
| ☐ Employer | ☐ Twitter |
| ☐ Facebook | ☐ University |
| ☐ Flyer | ☐ Website |
| ☐ Friend/relative | ☐ Workplace |

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☐ Instagram

☐ Workplace colleague

At least 1 choice and no more than 3 choices may be selected.

(Please select a maximum of three options)

Declaration

* indicates a required field

The Declaration is legally binding and indicates that you have, to the best of your knowledge, provided true and correct information. There are penalties for knowingly giving false or misleading information. This declaration **must** be completed. I, the applicant declare that:

The information provided in this application form is true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. *

☐ Yes

☐ No

The responses to the selection questions have been completed by myself. *

☐ Yes

☐ No

I understand that:

The information on this form is collected for the purpose of assessing eligibility and selection for this scholarship. *

☐ Yes

☐ No

The information on this form may be used for the purposes of obtaining aggregated information about the scholarship program and that any information gathered for this purpose will not identify me in any way. Personal Information may be disclosed to the Commonwealth or a subsequent Administrator for the purposes of administering the scholarship. *

☐ Yes

☐ No

I will be required to accept the Terms and Conditions of the scholarship if my application is successful. *

☐ Yes

☐ No

I have read and understood the ACN Privacy Collection Notice. *

☐ Yes

Read the [ACN Privacy Collection Notice](#).

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Before you submit your application:

- Ensure you have entered your correct email address. A confirmation email will be sent to this address. Please check your junk or spam emails as it may be delivered there. If you do not receive an email confirmation within 24 hours contact the Scholarships Team on 1800 061 660 or scholarships@acn.edu.au.
- Review your application before you submit as **no changes** can be made once this button has been pressed.
- If you are using a Hotmail, Windows live or MSN email address, please add scholarships@acn.edu.au to your safe senders list. This is to ensure you receive your submitted application email.

Once you have submitted your application you will be able to print a copy for your records. You can then review your application by going to 'Preview' on the top right-hand corner.