

# Pacific Nations Scholarship 2026

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### Overview

The Australian College of Nursing Foundation (ACN Foundation) is offering two fully funded scholarships for Pacific Island Nations Nursing Leaders to attend ACN's Institute of Leadership's [Nurse Executive Leadership Program](#) held from **17-20 May 2027 in Melbourne**.

The scholarships are targeted at experienced Registered Nurses working in senior leadership or executive roles within the health or aged care system in the Pacific Nations who aspire to be the next Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officers or leaders of National Nursing Associations.

The two scholarships will be awarded to the current or future nurse leaders who best demonstrate their vision to transform healthcare and influence governments in their respective countries.

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

**Number of scholarships:** 2

**Value of scholarship:** up to \$15,000 (Includes course registration, flights, and accommodation).

### About the Nurse Executive Leadership Program

The Nurse Executive Leadership Program will develop those in, or those aspiring to, nurse executive roles with the capabilities required to meet the future social, political and economic challenges in health and aged care.

The program is structured to meet the requirements of [ACN's Nurse Executive Capability Framework](#) supporting nursing executives to continue in the health and aged care industry as they navigate the current health care landscape and strengthen their knowledge and influence in their existing and future roles.

On successful completion of this program executive nurses will be able to:

- Balance expectations related to operational management and executive leadership;
- Influence, monitor, guide at a strategic level, network, partner, and be across the latest evidence to make decisions;
- Lead the strategy and facilitate implementation; and
- Build capacity in the next leadership level and throughout the organisation.

Successful completion of this six-month program is determined by the participant demonstrating the following:

- Active participation in the four-day face-to-face masterclass (including pre-reading);

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- Participation in mentoring;
- Submission of written work demonstrating completion of a high-level project/initiative outlining how you have met the capabilities as outlined in ACN's Nurse Executive Capability Framework.

Plus, one or more of the following:

- Representation of the nursing profession at a high-level forum;
- Participation in research, a project or quality improvement initiative;
- Publication on a key nursing issue; and
- Participation in an action learning set.

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)

Email: [scholarships@acn.edu.au](mailto: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?**

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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](mailto: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.

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

## Guidelines

### **Eligibility criteria**

To be eligible for the Pacific Nations Scholarship, applicants must:

- Be a Pacific Nations Resident.
- Be working in a senior leadership or executive role within the health or aged care system in the Pacific Nations.
- Be available to attend the complete four-day face-to-face workshop **17-20 May 2027 in Melbourne** and participate in six months of mentoring and action learning.

### **Selection criteria**

The scholarship will be awarded to the applicants who can best demonstrate their suitability in their response to the following questions:

- Your personal vision on how to transform healthcare and influence government in your country;
- What you would like to achieve from attending the Nurse Executive Leadership program; and
- A self-assessment against the capabilities outlined in [ACN's Nurse Executive Capability Framework](#), including demonstrated outcomes, achievements, and your ability to lead and influence.

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### Documents required

- Proof of Pacific Nations Residency.
- Current CV.
- A letter from your employer confirming your current employment, length of employment and role.
- A referee letter outlining your manager's or supervisor's support for your participation in the program and your ability to meet the requirements of [ACN's Nurse Executive Capability Framework](#), upon completion of the program.

### Successful recipient requirements

Each successful recipient will be required to:

- Undertake and complete the approved course or program.
- 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. Describe your vision on how to transform healthcare and influence government in your country.
2. Explain what it is that you hope to achieve from attending the Nurse Executive Leadership program.
3. Describe how you plan to lead the service, manage performance and plan for the future.

## Personal details

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### Applicant \*

| Title                | First Name           | Last Name            |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |

### Applicant Middle name

### Applicant Previous Family name

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**Date of birth \***

Must be a date.

**Gender**

**If other:**

## Eligibility check

\* indicates a required field

### Disclaimer

**If you answer no to the following 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 a Pacific Nations Resident. \***

☐ Yes

☐ No

**Proof of Pacific Nations Residency. \***

Attach a file:

A maximum of 2 files may be attached.

### Experience

**Are you working in a senior leadership or executive role within the health or aged care system in the Pacific Nations? \***

☐ Yes

☐ No

**Are you able to attend the complete four-day face-to-face workshop 17-20 May 2027 in Melbourne and participate in six months of mentoring and action learning? \***

☐ Yes

☐ No

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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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](mailto:scholarships@acn.edu.au). \***

### Contact details

\* 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

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[scholarships@acn.edu.au](mailto: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? \***

**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 from your employer confirming your current employment, length of employment and role. \***

Attach a file:

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**Please upload a referee letter outlining your manager's or supervisor's support for your participation in the program and your ability to meet the requirements of ACN's Nurse Executive Capability Framework upon completion of the program. \***

Attach a file:

## Selection criteria

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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. Describe your vision on how to transform healthcare and influence government in your country. (Maximum 300 words) \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

**2. Explain what it is that you hope to achieve from attending the Nurse Executive Leadership program. (Maximum 300 words) \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

**3. Describe how you plan to lead the service, manage performance and plan for the future. (Maximum 300 words) \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

**Please upload your CV. \***

Attach a file:

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CV is your resume.

## Marketing information

\* indicates a required field

### How did you hear about this scholarship? \*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ACN eNewsletter               | <input type="checkbox"/> LinkedIn                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ACN National Nurses Breakfast | <input type="checkbox"/> neo                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ACN website                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Nurseclick blog                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CNnect                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing & Health Expo             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> E-flyer                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional network/organisation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education provider            | <input type="checkbox"/> School                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education institution         | <input type="checkbox"/> The Hive                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Email from ACN                | <input type="checkbox"/> Tik-Tock                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employer                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Twitter                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Facebook                      | <input type="checkbox"/> University                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flyer                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Website                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friend/relative               | <input type="checkbox"/> Workplace                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Instagram                     | <input type="checkbox"/> 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

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**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](#).

## Lodgement

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](mailto: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](mailto: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.