

# 2018 Council of South Pacific Scout Associations (CSPSA)

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The CSPSA is a bi-annual gathering of Chief Commissioners and key leaders from countries in the South Pacific and is supported by representatives of partner nations including Australia, France, New Zealand and the UK. The leaders that attend work together to develop strategies that strengthen Scouting in the South Pacific. Workshops on resource development, financial management, youth involvement, child safety and environmental sustainability are among the topics discussed during the event.

The scholarship covers return airfares, registration fees, as well as all food, accommodation, and inland transport for the duration of the event, but excludes personal expenditure (including passport).

Scouts Australia is now accepting applications for this scholarship. Applicants must meet the following selection criteria:

- Scouts Australia member born between 11 March 1992 and 8 March 2000.
- An outstanding ambassador of Scouts Australia that promotes the Movement as one that engages the community and looks to the future.
- Representative of a wide range of Scouting experiences that highlights the diversity of the movement.
- An effective communicator and strong advocate who is able to network and build strong relationships with other international participants.
- Demonstrates an interest or connection with Scouting in the South Pacific.

Previous experience at a Branch or National level on the Rover Council, Youth Council, or other advisory panels are highly desirable.

Scouts Australia operates a merit based selection process where applicants are required to establish their claims against the selection criteria above in the questions on the application form, and in a one page CV. If you do not directly write about the selection criteria, and provide evidence for the claims you are making, then your application will be at a disadvantage. The referees you nominate must be able to back up your claims against the criteria. Applications must not exceed the 500 word limit per written criteria, and one page CV limit.

Candidates must apply using the link provided on the following page. All questions must be answered including a one page CV no later than 5:00PM AEDST on Friday 2 February 2018.

Yours in Scouting,

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## **Applicant Details, Selection Criteria & Summary Question (ONLINE)**

This part of the application is submitted online through the following link:

# APPLY NOW: https://form.jotform.co/80053105478856

Note: applications must be completed and submitted in one go, they cannot be saved and completed in stages so prepare all the documents and responses before starting the online form.

Please submit completed applications before 5PM AEDST on Friday 2 February 2018.

The online form contains the following sections:

## **Applicant Details**

The application form requires some of your basic contact details. it allows you to detail your experiences and roles in Scouting and any experiences in the country/region where the event will be held.

#### Selection Criteria

Selection criteria are skills and attributes that you will need to be able to demonstrate, or have displayed in the past. The applicant needs to make statements against each selection criterion stating how they have met them or are able to meet them. Note that this is a competitive selection process, and the onus is on each applicant to clearly, succinctly, and persuasively present their claims. The key selection criteria for the scholarship candidate are:

- 1. Why are you an outstanding ambassador for Scouts Australia?
- 2. Why are you representative of a wide range of Scouting experience?
- 3. Describe your interest or connection with Scouting in the South Pacific?
- 4. What experience do you hope to gain from attending the CSPSA?

#### Referees

This question allows you to sum up and sell your application to the selection panel. What makes you the best candidate to represent Scouts Australia as the youth representative for this event?

### **CV** Upload

Attach a one page CV of your Scouting background.



