

## **Study Incentive Programme (SIP)**

The Catholic Education Office (CEO) has established the Study Incentive Program (SIP) to encourage all teaching and non-teaching staff including school leaders to develop higher-level professional skills and knowledge in areas that address the needs and priorities of Catholic schools and that build staff capacity and job satisfaction.

The Study Incentive Program reflects the CEO's commitment to principles of professional learning that encourage the development of a dynamic and collaborative learning culture in the work place, that provide opportunities for staff to engage in dialogue with lecturers and each other, and that deliver outcomes for staff that are relevant, sustained, contextualised and embedded in daily professional practice.

## **Eligibility**

All staff in Territory Catholic schools who have been employed on a full time basis for at least one year, and who will continue to be employed for the duration of the current school year are eligible to apply. **NB** SIP funding is not available for initial teacher training studies.

Applications are assessed, and grants allocated, on an annual basis. A grant in one year does not mean an automatic grant in the next, nor for the duration of the course of study. Pro rata funding is available to part-time employees or while on Maternity leave or Long Service leave and is subject to continuing employment in Catholic Education NT.

## **Funding Assistance**

SIP offers 50% to 80% refund of tuition fees (excluding any student administration charges) for one academic unit per semester. SIP may also provide part funding towards legitimate travel to Darwin and accommodation expenses. Please note care hire is not refunded. Funding priority is given to cohorts attending face-to-face lectures in Darwin. No other university expenses are considered. Other expenses such as meals are not met.

BBI Grad Cert or Masters	80% per unit	Maximum of two units per annum or
RE/Theology face-to-face Darwin		\$3500
BBI/ACU/Notre Dame Grad Cert or Masters RE/Theology/online studies	65% per unit	Maximum of two units per annum or \$3500



Masters in Educational Leadership (ACU)	75% per unit	Maximum of two units per annum or \$3500
Inclusive Education (See Priority Areas of Study 2017)	75% per unit	Maximum of two units per annum or \$3500
Languages Other Than English	75% per unit	Maximum of two units per annum or \$3500
Other areas of study	50% per unit	Maximum of two units per annum or \$3500
Travel to Darwin	Part funding to be negotiated individually	Alice/Darwin Return up to \$650  Wadeye/Darwin Return up to \$600  Bathurst/Darwin Return up to \$320  Katherine/Darwin or Daly/Darwin return - negotiated per car
Accommodation in Darwin	Part funding	\$125 maximum per night – room only basis.

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