**Apra Australia Annual Conference Bursary 2019**

**General Information**

The Apra Australia Annual Conference Bursary aims to encourage conference participation by organisations and individuals whose resources for staff development are limited.

Apra Australia will award one annual conference bursary up to a maximum of $300 toward the registration fees and one night hotel accommodation for the annual Apra Australia conference. The funds will be paid directly to the conference and hotel on the recipient’s behalf.

**Eligibility & Selection Criteria**

All current members of Apra-Australia are eligible and encouraged to apply! Eligible applicants include any professional whose organization is unable to cover the costs of sending them to the Apra Australia conference or who does not have an organization with whom they are affiliated. No stipulations or restrictions regarding professional experience or tenure in the profession apply.

Primary criteria for award determination are:

• Overall quality of the application, including strength of personal statement

• Demonstrated financial need

*Current Apra-Australia board members are ineligible to receive the bursary. Previous recipients of this award are also ineligible.*

**Application**

Applicants are required to submit a personal statement. The personal statement should not exceed one page. Standard 12-pt font is preferred. The personal statement must address the way in which attending the Apra Australia conference will enhance their prospect development skills as well as the following bullet points:

• How will attendance at a conference impact you professionally?

• How will attendance at the conference benefit your organisation and/or clients?

• Why would it be difficult for you to attend the conference without the bursary?

**Selection**

The selection committee is comprised of the Apra Australia board and a prior year’s bursary recipient. The committee will make all decisions concerning the bursary recipient. All applications received by the deadline will be distributed among the committee members for review, ranking, and final selection.

**Deadline**

Applications will be due by 12 September 2019. Please submit your application to info@apraaustralia.org.au with the subject heading ‘Apra Australia Annual Conference Bursary 2019’. The recipient will be notified by 19 September 2019.

**Other Requirements**

The bursary winner will be required to share highlights/experiences from the conference with the Apra Australia membership via the Apra Australia newsletter within six months following attendance of the conference. The bursary winner will also serve as a member of the next year’s bursary committee.

If the bursary recipient fails to attend the conference, a full refund of the bursary will be required by the individual.

**History & Additional Information**

In the event that there are additional bursary funds remaining after the awardee has been selected, the scholarship committee has the discretion to offer an additional award.

The first Apra Australia bursary will be awarded in 2019.

**Application form for Apra Australia Annual Conference Bursary 2019**

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1. **Are you a current member of Apra Australia?**

Yes  No

**2. Please provide the following information**

Name:

Organisation (if applicable): Click or tap here to enter text.

Email: Click or tap here to enter text.

Phone: Click or tap here to enter text.

**3. Please indicate you current job title**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**4.** **Please include a personal statement must address the way in which a professional conference will enhance their prospect development skills as well as the following bullet points:**

* How will attendance at the Apra Australia conference will impact you professionally?
* How will attendance at the conference will benefit your organisation and/or clients?
* Why would it be difficult for you to attend the conference without the bursary?

Click or tap here to enter text.