The Jim Anderson Scholarships

INFORMATION

History of the Jim Anderson Scholarships

Jim Anderson, the former Member for Londonderry in the NSW State Parliament and a former mayor of Blacktown City Council, passed away suddenly on 22 March 2003. Mr Anderson worked tirelessly for public education and he was deeply committed to improving the future for young people in Western Sydney.

In April 2003 the former Premier of NSW, Mr Bob Carr MP, announced the establishment of the Jim Anderson Scholarships to honour Mr Anderson's memory by providing financial support for up to five students who are currently enrolled in a number of government high schools in Western Sydney.

The 2012 Scholarship Program

At the end of 2011, five scholarships of $5 000 each will be awarded to students who will be undertaking formal full-time study at either the University of Western Sydney (UWS) or at a TAFE NSW college or campus in 2012. Scholarships will be awarded to students based on evidence of their performance against a set of criteria outlined in the Application Form.

Guidelines

To be eligible for a Jim Anderson Scholarship you must be completing the Higher School Certificate in 2011 at one of the government high schools or campuses listed below and you must intend to undertake full time study at either UWS or at a TAFE NSW college or campus in 2012.

Eligible schools are:

- Blacktown Boys High School
- Blacktown Girls High School
- Cambridge Park High School
- Colyton High School
- Chifley College Bidwill Campus
- Chifley College Senior Campus
- Doonside High School
- Evans High School
- Mitchell High School
- Plumpton High School
- Richmond High School
- Rooty Hill High School
- St Marys Senior High School
- The Hills Sports High School
- Wyndham College
One of the scholarships is designated for an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander student.

**Please note:** Students who are applying for a *Jim Anderson Scholarship*, must lodge separate applications for enrolment in a course or courses offered at TAFE NSW and/or for enrolment at UWS and must meet the appropriate closing dates.

Further information about enrolment at TAFE and UWS is available at:

- or through your school's careers adviser.

To be the recipient of a 2012 *Jim Anderson Scholarship*, you must be offered and you must accept enrolment in a full-time course at TAFE NSW or at UWS in 2012.

**What does the Jim Anderson Scholarship provide?**

The *Jim Anderson Scholarship* provides successful students with the sum of $5,000 to assist in meeting the cost of full-time tertiary study. The first payment of $2,500 will be made at the beginning of the first year of full-time study.

Provided that normal academic progression requirements have been met, the second payment of $2,500 will be made:

- at the beginning of the second year of full-time study **or**
- in the case of Jim Anderson Scholars studying a one year course at a TAFE NSW college or campus, at the beginning of the second semester of full-time study.

**Application Form**

The application form may be downloaded from the Department of Education and Training website or can be obtained from your school's careers adviser.

The application form will be available early in term 3 2011.

**Selecting the Jim Anderson Scholars**

A selection panel will review all scholarship applications according to the criteria set out in the Application Form.

The selection panel will include representatives of the NSW Department of Education and Training and TAFE NSW, a representative of the University of Western Sydney and other independent experts if and as required.

After considering all written applications, the selection panel may draw up a short list of applicants for interview and will make recommendations to the NSW Minister for Education and Training on the recipients of the scholarships.
Submitting your application

The application must be signed by your principal and your principal must submit your application to the selection panel.

Applications must be forwarded to

The Executive Officer, Jim Anderson Scholarships
NSW Department of Education and Training, Western Sydney Region
Hindemith Ave
EMERTON NSW 2770.

The closing date for applications for the 2012 scholarships is Friday 2 September 2011.

Late applications will not be accepted.

Contact

Further details are available from the Executive Officer, Jim Anderson Scholarships, NSW Department of Education and Training, Hindemith Avenue, EMERTON, NSW, 2770. Telephone (02) 8808 4900.