

TAFE NSW Stylecraft First Nation Scholarship Program 2024

Application Form

Application closing date:
5pm, Monday 5 February 2024

Scholarship value:
up to \$51,600

The aim of the Stylecraft First Nation Scholarship Program is to encourage participation by First Nations Australians into the Interior Design profession by providing financial support in the form of payment of the full fees for the Bachelor of Interior Design along with providing the required educational support throughout their study.

There are limited scholarships available to eligible applicants who want to pursue their education at TAFE NSW's Design Centre Enmore campus. Each awarded scholarship has a total value of up to \$51,600, which will be applied as credits against your course tuition fees. The scholarship amount is not transferable or redeemable for cash.

Scholarship eligibility requirements

To be eligible for the scholarship you must meet all of the following eligibility requirements:

- You must be an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander student who is intending to enrol (and subsequently enrolls) at TAFE NSW Design Centre Enmore campus for Bachelor of Interior Design, either directly or through one of the pathways identified below
- You must commence your approved course in Semester 1, 2024 and cannot defer your commencement date
- You must demonstrate a commitment and motivation to study and successfully complete the course, and to gain employment
- You must meet the requirements of admission to the Bachelor of Interior Design or an associated pathway course. Please refer to the information regarding admission requirements set out below

Any scholarship awarded is on the basis that you enrol in a specified course and maintain an active enrolment status. Your scholarship may be terminated if your enrolment status changes (e.g. you withdraw from your course). If you are awarded the scholarship, any other TAFE NSW scholarship, grant or bursary that you currently hold will be rescinded.

Admission requirements for the Bachelor of Interior Design

To be eligible for admission into the Bachelor of Interior Design you must have at least one of the following minimum entry requirements:

- NSW HSC (Higher School Certificate) or equivalent
- Recognised Tertiary Preparation Certificate
- Certificate IV level or higher vocational qualification
- Completion of at least one year full-time study or equivalent in a degree course at a higher education institution

If you do not meet one of these minimum entry requirements, you can instead enrol into one of the following qualifications as a pathway to undertaking the Bachelor of Interior Design:

- Certificate IV in Interior Decoration
- Certificate IV in Design
- Certificate IV in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Arts
- Diploma of Interior Design

In addition to the entry requirements described above, you will be required to submit a portfolio of artwork and design, as well as a 500-word essay (unless you have already completed a Certificate IV in Design, Certificate IV in Interior Decoration, or Diploma of Interior Design). The requirements for the portfolio are set out on the next page.

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Additional entry requirements – portfolio

(Not required if you have completed a Certificate IV in Design, Certificate IV in Interior Decoration, or Diploma of Interior Design)

Submit eight examples of your own art or design work such as drawings, paintings, sketching, cultural arts, photography, digital media, and fashion or textile design. The purpose of the portfolio is to show us that you've been involved with some creative work in the past – either at school, TAFE or just for your own creative interests. The work does not need to be directly related to interior design. Everyone's portfolio is unique so just include what is relevant to you.

How to apply

1. Send the completed scholarship application form and the supporting documents to scholarships@tafensw.edu.au by the closing date, being 5pm (AEST), Monday 5 February 2024 (or any later closing date subsequently published by TAFE NSW). If your application is received after the closing date, is incomplete or does not meet the requirements set out in the scholarship terms and conditions, it will not be considered.
2. By submitting your scholarship application form, you accept the scholarship terms and conditions and are taken to have read them.
3. TAFE NSW will convene a panel to assess all valid applications. Applications will be assessed on a merit basis and based on your responses in your application and the scholarship eligibility requirements. The panel will, in its sole discretion, determine the award of the scholarship (if any). The decision of the panel will be final.
4. All applicants will be notified of the outcome, with successful applicants notified within 3 weeks of the closing date.

Submit your application by 5pm, Monday 5 February 2024


Email: scholarships@tafensw.edu.au

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Please complete the application form in English and print clearly in CAPITAL LETTERS.

Please send the completed application form and supporting documents to scholarships@tafensw.edu.au.

 This symbol highlights that you may be required to attach supporting documents to your application.

Part 1 – Applicant details

Title: Given name(s):

Family name:

Date of birth (dd/mm/yy): Place of birth:

Residential address:

Suburb: State: Postcode:

Email address:

Phone (home): Phone (mobile):

Student number:
(if applicable)

Part 2 – Course details

Please indicate your intended course of study at TAFE NSW Eora campus:

Bachelor of Interior Design

Certificate IV in Interior Decoration

Certificate IV in Design

Diploma of Interior Design

TAFE NSW campus:

Course number:

Start date:

End date:

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Part 3 – Applicant statement

This section is for you to provide further information to assist in assessing your application.

The scholarship will be awarded to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander students who:

- demonstrate a commitment and motivation to study and successfully complete the course and to gain employment; and
- meet the requirements of admission to the Bachelor of Interior Design (or an associated pathway course).

1. In your own words, please tell us how you meet the eligibility criteria for the scholarship.

2. Please outline your study and career goals, and describe how the scholarship will assist you with achieving these goals.

3. Please describe your goals and aspirations as they relate to employment within the interior design industry.


4. Please explain your commitment to your studies and how you will manage competing priorities.

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Part 4 – Other supporting information and documentation

Please feel free to outline any additional information that supports your scholarship application. You may attach additional pages to this form if you require further space.

-  You may also provide any documentation which supports your scholarship application. This can include documents such as awards and certificates for community or extracurricular activities, and academic transcripts and certificates.

Part 5 – Community support statement

-  You must attach at least one written community support statement to this application using the Community Support Statement template attached to this scholarship application form. Your nominated referee should be an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community leader, or member, and must be someone who is not related to you. Alternatively, your referee could be a recent teacher.

Part 6 – Student declaration

- I declare that the information provided as part of this scholarship application form is true, correct, complete and not misleading in any way.
- I have read and understand the scholarship terms and conditions, including the applicable terms and conditions of my enrolment at TAFE NSW.
- I consent to TAFE NSW collecting, storing, using and disclosing my information, including personal information, for the purpose of administering the scholarship and in accordance with TAFE NSW's Privacy Policy (which is available at tafensw.edu.au/privacy or on request).

Student signature

Parent/Guardian signature (if student is under 18 years of age)

Student name

Parent/Guardian name

Date

Date

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Community Support Statement

Community representative name:

Email address:

Phone number:

Relationship to applicant:

1. Please outline the nature of the relationship between you and the applicant, including how long you have known the applicant.

2. Please provide your assessment of the applicant, including their personal circumstances, character and motivation. Please have regard to the eligibility criteria for the scholarship in doing so.

3. Please provide your assessment of the applicant's ability to complete their studies and successfully transition into the industry related to their course.

4. Is there any further information you would like to add to support the scholarship application?

Referee declaration

- I declare that the information provided as part of this Community Support Statement is true, correct, complete and not misleading in any way. I consent to TAFE NSW contacting me to verify the contents of this Community Support Statement.
- I consent to TAFE NSW collecting, storing, using and disclosing my information, including personal information, for the purpose of administering the scholarship.

Signature:

Submit completed form with related documents, or for more information, email scholarships@tafensw.edu.au

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Terms and Conditions

1. Scholarship application process

- 1.1 You must submit a completed scholarship application form and all supporting documentation via email to TAFE NSW by the advertised closing date (or any later closing date subsequently advised to you by TAFE NSW).
- 1.2 If your application is received after the closing date or does not meet the requirements set out in these scholarship terms and conditions, it will not be considered.
- 1.3 You must provide all information and documentation reasonably required by TAFE NSW by the dates requested. Any incomplete application will not be considered.
- 1.4 TAFE NSW reserves the right to validate and check the information provided as part of an application, including enrolment status or any provided references. If any information is incorrect, incomplete, false or misleading, TAFE NSW may reject an application or terminate the scholarship.

2. Scholarship eligibility requirements

- 2.1 To be eligible for the scholarship you must meet all of the following requirements:
 - (a) you must meet the eligibility requirements for the scholarship published by TAFE NSW (see [tafensw.edu.au/scholarships](https://www.tafensw.edu.au/scholarships));
 - (b) you must meet all of the applicable TAFE NSW enrolment requirements, including any visa or residency requirements;
 - (c) you must not have previously received the scholarship; and
 - (d) unless otherwise approved by TAFE NSW, you must have enrolled in and commenced your approved VET or Higher Education course by the date published by TAFE NSW and cannot defer your commencement date.
- 2.2 Any scholarship awarded is on the basis that you maintain an active enrolment status in your course. Your scholarship may be terminated if your enrolment status changes (e.g. you withdraw from your course) or your residency or visa status changes.
- 2.3 If you are awarded the scholarship, any other TAFE NSW scholarship, grant or bursary that you currently hold will be rescinded.

3. Scholarship offer

- 3.1 TAFE NSW will convene a panel to assess all valid applications. Applications will be assessed on a merit basis and based on your responses in your application and the scholarship eligibility requirements. The panel will, in its sole discretion, determine the award of the scholarship (if any). The decision of the panel will be final, and no correspondence about the decision will be entered into.
- 3.2 If your application is successful you will be notified via email after the closing date, and will receive a scholarship grant letter to be signed and returned by you as acceptance of the scholarship. The scholarship will not be awarded unless TAFE NSW receives a signed scholarship grant letter from you within the specified time period (or if no time period is specified, within 3 weeks). If you do not wish to accept the scholarship that you have been offered, you should advise us immediately in writing.
- 3.3 The scholarship amount at the time of the scholarship offer may be less than the advertised amount. You will be notified of the amount being offered to you within the scholarship grant letter.
- 3.4 If for any reason you are unable to accept the scholarship offer, the offer will be given to the next suitable applicant as determined by the panel in its sole discretion.
- 3.5 All unsuccessful applicants will be notified via email of the outcome of their application.

4. Scholarship award and payment

- 4.1 On receiving the signed scholarship grant letter as evidence of your acceptance of the scholarship, TAFE NSW will apply a credit against your standard TAFE NSW course tuition fees in accordance with the details outlined in your scholarship grant Letter. The scholarship cannot be applied retrospectively to any course tuition fees already incurred. TAFE NSW may, in its absolute discretion, elect to credit the scholarship amount as a lump sum or to apportion the amount across multiple semesters, where applicable.
- 4.2 All scholarship amounts are in Australian dollars. The scholarship amount is not transferable or redeemable for cash. Any rights you have to the scholarship cannot be assigned.
- 4.3 By accepting the scholarship, you will be required to act as an ambassador of TAFE NSW and agree to participate in all reasonable marketing and promotional activities relating to the scholarship (including without limitation to being recorded, photographed, filmed or interviewed), and that TAFE NSW may use such marketing and promotional material in any format or medium in its sole discretion for the purpose of marketing and promoting the scholarship.

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5.0 Scholarship termination

- 5.1 TAFE NSW may terminate your scholarship at any time if you:
 - (a) discontinue or withdraw from your course, your enrolment status is inactive, or you fail to successfully complete course subjects;
 - (b) fail to meet the eligibility requirements of the scholarship;
 - (c) fail to comply with these scholarship terms and conditions;
 - (d) are suspended or excluded from TAFE NSW or commit a breach of student conduct and discipline, or you otherwise fail to comply with TAFE NSW's academic and administrative policies for students; or
 - (e) have provided incorrect, false or misleading information or withheld relevant information in relation to your application.
- 5.2 If your scholarship is terminated, you will not receive any further credits and you may be required to repay some or all of your scholarship to TAFE NSW.

6.0 General

- 6.1 TAFE NSW may vary these scholarship terms and conditions at any time without prior notice. TAFE NSW may vary the scholarship or cancel the scholarship on offer at any time, but will advise you of any such variation or cancellation.
- 6.2 You are responsible for determining any taxation or Centrelink payment implications relating to the scholarship. TAFE NSW is not liable for the payment of any tax or any other obligations you may incur as a result of accepting the scholarship.
- 6.3 TAFE NSW will not be liable for any loss (including without limitation, indirect, special or consequential loss), cost, expense or damage, which is suffered or incurred by you in connection with the scholarship, except for any liability which cannot be excluded by law.
- 6.4 You consent to TAFE NSW collecting, storing, using and disclosing your information, including personal information, for the purpose of administering the scholarship and in accordance with TAFE NSW's Privacy Policy (available at [tafensw.edu.au/privacy](https://www.tafensw.edu.au/privacy) or on request).

7.0 Definitions

- 7.1 **"Panel"** means the scholarship selection panel appointed by TAFE NSW.
- 7.2 **"Scholarship"** means the Student scholarship as described in the scholarship application form and these scholarship terms and conditions.
- 7.3 **"Scholarship application form"** or **"application"** means the application form completed to apply for the scholarship.
- 7.4 **"Student"** means an international student enrolled at TAFE NSW or a prospective international student intending to enrol at TAFE NSW at the time a scholarship offer is made.
- 7.5 **"TAFE NSW"** means the Technical and Further Education Commission (ABN 89 755 348 137).
- 7.6 **"You"** means the applicant for the scholarship.