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Call for Applications

Scholarships for early-career Indigenous Australian forestry practitioners to attend Forestry Australia's 2026 Symposium

Would you like assistance to attend Forestry Australia's 2026 Symposium?
Are you an Indigenous Australian studying, working or participating in forestry or a related field?

The Australian Forest and Wood Innovations Centre for Climate-Smart Forestry (AFWI CCSF) and Forestry Australia are offering financial support for Indigenous Australians studying, working or participating in forestry or a related field to attend the 2026 Symposium in Canberra. We are offering up to two scholarships that includes symposium registration plus funds toward travel and accommodation and other related expenses approximately \$2,500 in value for each for successful applicant.

2026 Symposium

The forestry story: Strategies for improved awareness, social licence and effective engagement
Wednesday 7 – Friday 9 October 2026
Rex Hotel, 150 Northbourne Avenue, Canberra City, ACT
forestryconference.com.au

What is on offer:

- The scholarship will include 2026 Symposium registration (Symposium registration valued at \$875)
- Plus, approximately \$2,500 to offset against travel expenses i.e., flights, transfers and other related expenses with 90% payable on announcement
- Each scholarship is valued at approximately \$3,375

Successful applicants will be required to:

- Register and attend the 2026 Symposium.
- Attend the Future Foresters Initiative Function on Tuesday 6 October
- Share learning from the symposium within their origination and submit a 250-word post Symposium report and a high-resolution photo that may be published.
- Provide travel related receipts i.e. flights; accommodation; taxi/Ubers; parking; transfers; food

Eligibility:

- Indigenous Australians who are studying or working in forestry or a related field, or who are associated with a community or organisation connected to the forestry sector.
- An Australian Citizen or Permanent Resident
- Interested in developing your forestry knowledge and forestry networks.
- Passionate about growing trees and forests in supporting sustainable and healthy forests, communities, and rural landscapes.

Applications close: COB Monday 31st August 2026

Questions? Contact the Forestry Australia office at admin@forestry.org.au and we will be happy to help.



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Scholarships to attend the 2026 Forestry Australia Symposium Application Form

Forestry Australia member number

I am an Australian citizen or permanent resident

Yes ☐ No ☐

About you:

First name:		Last name:	
Phone:		Email:	
Your address:			
Organisation where you study/work:			
Role at Organisation or Community			

Budget:

Applicants may request approximately \$2,500 towards travel, accommodation and other reasonable expenses associated with attending the symposium. Additional funding may be considered where carer support is required, or travel arrangements are particularly complex. Applicants should include all anticipated costs needed to make their attendance at the symposium possible.

Expense	Description	Estimated Cost
Flights		
Other travel i.e. petrol, parking, Uber		
Accommodation		
Meals		
Other reasonable expenses		
Total		



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Please attach:

1. A short (150-word) **introduction to you and your journey** so far, your interest in forestry and include your current study, work or community involvement in forestry or a related field,
2. A short (150-word) explanation of **how you believe that attending the 2026 Symposium will assist you** and your organisation and your plan for sharing knowledge gained at the symposium within your organisation or community.
3. A **letter of support** from your employer, supervisor or elder supporting your attendance at the Symposium

Please review and sign:

All the information given in this Scholarship application is factual and correct at the time of submission; I understand that incorrect information may render this application void. I understand that all decisions made by AFWI CCSF and Symposium Committee in relation to the awarding of this or any other scholarship, prize or bursary are final and are not subject to appeal, review or petition.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Email your application form and attachments in one document to admin@forestry.org.au

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