

Introduction

ISANA International Education Association is the representative body for international education professionals in Australia and New Zealand, working in student services, advocacy, teaching, and policy development.

Mission Statement

ISANA International Education Association is an association of Australian and New Zealand international education professionals whose members are dedicated to the advancement of international education through:

- leadership, promotion and advocacy of best practice standards in the service of international education
- the facilitation of relevant forums, training and information exchange for its membership and the community
- working in partnership with stakeholder organisations including international students, educational, government, business and community groups.

Objectives

ISANA aims to assist those directly and professionally engaged in the provision of international education services. It does this by:

- Providing a means for the exchange of information and networking
- Facilitating professional development of members
- Building links with associated organisations locally and overseas
- Recognising the interests and rights of international students in Australia and New Zealand.

Aims

- Provide opportunities for engagement with other students and professional and academic staff in the international education sector
- Ensure that international student interests and opinions are heard and noted in general discussions, on student panels and through presentations

Student Conference Bursary Selection Criteria

- Develop leadership potential in the international student community and
- Disseminate international education information throughout the student community by liaising with their ISANA Branch Committee.

Selection Criteria

International students in Australia can be nominated by an ISANA Member either through ISANA Branches or via invitation of the ISANA National Council.

Consideration will be given to a balance and representation from Australian States and Territories and educational sectors.

The international student must be at least 18 years of age and be a continuing student with a valid student visa and passport.

The student must be able to travel interstate and overseas.

The nominees must submit an application that addresses the following:

- The student's academic background and country of origin
- Student club and education provider representative role on committees and achievements
- Brief (no more than 300 words) plan on how they will benefit from attendance and participation at the ISANA National Conference
- Brief (300 words) plan on how they will disseminate information through the international student community and ISANA members in their respective State or Territory in the following year
- Be nominated (signed) by an ISANA member
- Include a written reference (not from their nominator). Examples of referees: manager of an organisation the student has worked or volunteered for; student adviser or other staff member.

Only applications submitted on the application template and accompanied by the written reference, by the due date, will be considered.

There is an expectation that all successful awardees, when attending the ISANA National Conference, will:

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- participate in a student panel and/or present or assist in the running of concurrent sessions at the Conference
- provide up to 300-word reflection on their Conference experience to the Office isana@isana.org.au by four weeks after the Conference.

The selection panel will be drawn from the National Council and its decision will be final.

ISANA reserves the right to hold a consultation period of one week after the closing date in case clarification is required from applicants.