

NAWIC - International Women's Day Scholarship 2010

Purpose:

- 1) To support women in industry by providing a financial scholarship to develop industry research. The industry research may be used to input into a body of work reflecting these aspirations in a form that can be published, promoted and further developed.
- 2) To support industry by providing cutting edge research. The winner will publish their research, and through doing so enable positive change in the industry.

Funding:

A total value of up to \$16,000 is to be awarded for 2010 for one successful candidate or possibly shared with a second candidate. The Scholarship is funded by a \$6500 contribution from NAWIC and the proceeds of an auction or \$9,500. Auction item kindly donated by Corporate Culture.

Timing:

December 2009	NAWIC's International Women's Day Scholarship launched
Tuesday 2 nd February 2010	2009 Scholarship preparation workshop
Monday 15 th February 2010	Scholarship submissions close
March Tuesday - Wednesday 3 rd March 2009	Interviewing period
Monday 8 th March 2009	Winner Announced - International Women's Day Event
October 2010	Research findings due

Please note: Interview notification will not be until Friday 27 February we recommend you keep the interview days available in case you are shortlisted for an interview.

Further Information:

For further information send an email to NAWIC NSW Chapter President ; Itturnbull@eastview.com.au

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Summary	NAWIC aim to provide an opportunity for women in the industry to develop a white paper that can be used as a positive instrument for change in the construction industry. The white paper is to have an international component, present ideas to challenge existing industry thinking and present practical tools that can be used to implement the ideas. NAWIC will reserve the full rights to promote and publish the research.
Details	Awarded annually with first year commencing in 2009
Eligibility	Australian citizens currently living in Australia Female Minimum 8 years in the construction industry Membership of NAWIC

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Criteria	Proposal to include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Problem, hypothesis, or question 2. Importance of research 3. Literature review (of research area both academic and industry). The purpose is to ensure that this area has not been fully

	<p>researched.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Possible research approach or methodology 5. Potential outcomes of research and importance of each for the construction industry 6. Timeline 7. Budget (draft) 8. Reference a mentor (see detailed description of mentor) <p>Other criteria: Ability to present findings, lead discussions and liaise with media and broader NAWIC stakeholders.</p>
Process	<p>Stage 1: Applicant submits a project proposal, CV and nominates a Mentor. Stage 2: Panel selects applicants to be interviewed to discuss their proposed scholarship. Expressions of interest assessed against criteria. Stage 3: If selected for interview, the applicant will meet with the selection panel to discuss the proposal, the methodology and outcomes. Stage 4: Selected applicant will be invited to develop a detailed schedule based upon the agreed direction of the project this stage may require some amendments to be made to the original proposal by the applicant. Stage 5: Research stage including input from the NAWIC President or their nominated delegate. Stage 5: White Paper maximum 30 A4pages to be completed within 8 months of winner being announced. Throughout this period the successful applicant will need to meet monthly with the NSW ACT President and their mentor to discuss progress.</p>
Information required	<p>Project proposal maximum 10 A4 pages addressing all areas of the criteria (12 point times new roman double spacing, standard margins). CV including 2 referees (one can be the mentor) Availability for panel interview (confirm availability 27 February 2009).</p>
What is provided	<p>Up to \$16, 000 to be awarded to complete the white paper and cover the associated research and any travel. Two scholarships may be awarded in varying amounts at the discretion of the assessment panel. The second scholarship may be for a lesser amount and could be considered for an applicant who has the potential to be a future successful applicant for the larger scholarship.</p>
Assessment Panel	<p>NAWIC NSW ACT President Academic representative Construction Industry Leader NAWIC Partner – Leader in other industry/Media Corporate Culture representative</p>
Mentor	<p>A mentor will have to be identified for the research project. The mentor should have significant experience in the construction industry (ie. greater than 15 years) and must commit to being a project mentor throughout the process. The purpose of the mentor is to support the applicant through the project, and provide skill specific input into the area. It is anticipated that the mentor would be involved in the following as a minimum:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Initial brief setting 2. Review of trip and alignment with research objectives prior to leaving. 3. Review of achievements after trip, and additional local research which may be required. 4. Review of paper prior to submission.