



Are you studying in or thinking about studying in a freight, logistics or marine-related field?

The Victorian Government is committed to encouraging and supporting more women into senior management positions in the freight, logistics and marine industries.

While more women are undertaking courses relevant to these industries, there are still relatively few that choose a management career path in these fields.

We believe that education and industry experience, to develop excellent technical and business skills, are the most effective means to address this challenge.

The Victorian Government, through the Department of Transport, is offering a \$10,000 scholarship to a female, full-time or part-time student starting or completing a Masters, PhD, or postgraduate degree in the freight, logistics and marine fields in 2009.

The scholarship will be awarded for one year full-time or two years' part-time study. The recipient is given the opportunity to work part-time with the Freight, Logistics and Marine Division within the Department of Transport.

Selection process

Please complete the application form and send to the address below along with a current copy of your curriculum vitae, academic record and short essay response.

Address applications to:

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Women in Freight, Logistics and Marine Management Scholarship
Department of Transport
GPO Box 2797
Melbourne Vic 3001

Please mark the envelope 'private and confidential'.

Applications close Friday 31 October 2008

Applicants short-listed will be invited to attend an interview.

The winner of the scholarship will be announced by the Minister for Roads and Ports in early 2009.

Further information

For further information on the Women in Freight, Logistics and Marine Management Scholarship, please contact Salwa Andrews, tel. 9655 6341 or visit www.transport.vic.gov.au/freight



Frequently asked questions

1. What are we looking for in the successful candidate?

Relevant work experience, academic merit and level of commitment to a career in the freight, logistics and marine sector. The successful candidate will need to:

- demonstrate knowledge and commitment to the freight, logistics and marine industries
- possess relevant industry experience
- display leadership ability and initiative
- have the potential to achieve academically.

2. Will the winner of the scholarship be required to work within DOT?

The scholarship recipient is given the opportunity to work part-time with the Freight, Logistics and Marine Division within DOT. This is a fantastic opportunity to gain industry and government experience. The position is not mandatory, but it is encouraged.

3. Does the \$10,000 scholarship cover reference material and research related travel (within Australia)?

Yes. The \$10,000 scholarship is to cover the cost of tuition, reference materials, tools and research-related travel (within Australia). The total amount should not exceed \$10,000. Records and receipts of all expenses must be retained for review by DOT.

4. When will DOT contact my referees, as I would like to let them know?

The scholarship selection process may take several months. Referees will not be contacted until applicant interviews have been completed. Applicants must ensure they have permission from their referees to provide their contact details to DOT prior to including them on the written application form.

5. Do I need to send a university-certified copy of my academic transcript with my application?

Yes, applicants must include a certified copy of their most recent academic record with their written application, in order to proceed to the interview stage.

6. Not all my university results have been released. When should I send you an updated transcript?

Applicants will have the chance to provide an updated academic transcript if they proceed to the interview stage.

7. When I apply for the scholarship, I will not know if I have been accepted into the course I hope to undertake in 2008. Am I excluded from applying for the scholarship?

No. Applicants intending to enrol or awaiting acceptance into their course of choice are encouraged to apply. They are required to indicate in the space provided on the application form what stage they are at in the enrolment process or with their current study.

8. Can I study by correspondence at an interstate institution, for example, the Australian Maritime College in Launceston?

DOT recognises that some relevant courses are not offered in Victoria. Candidates are able to study by correspondence at these institutions while residing in Victoria. Applicants have to explain why they chose to study at an interstate institution in their application.

9. I live in another State but intend moving to Victoria to study at a Victorian institution. Am I eligible?

Yes, as long as Victoria is the principal place of residence during the scholarship.

10. I am a permanent resident, but not classified as an Australian citizen. Am I eligible for the scholarship?

No. The scholarship is offered to Australian citizens only.

11. I live in Sydney. Is it possible for me to apply for the scholarship, while living in New South Wales, and study via correspondence at a Victorian institution?

No, you must be a resident of Victoria. The successful applicant is required to relocate to Victoria to undertake the scholarship. The scholarship is not to be used for relocation costs.



12. What happens if I am awarded the scholarship but my circumstances change and I need to withdraw from my intended studies?

If the applicant withdraws from their course of choice, they will need to repay the scholarship funds at the discretion of DOT.

13. Why is the scholarship only offered to women and not men?

Statistics from the current ABS Labour Force Survey indicate that there is a much higher proportion of men than women working in senior positions in the freight, logistics and marine industries. In order to maintain and develop these industries in the future, it is important to attract a cross-section of professional, educated people. In recognition of this, DOT received an exemption from the Equal Opportunities Act 1995 to offer a Women in Freight, Logistics and Marine Management Scholarship.

14. How will DOT ensure my privacy throughout the application process?

DOT is committed to protecting personal and sensitive information consistent with the principles set out in the Victorian Information Privacy Act 2000.

For more information visit the DOT web site (www.transport.vic.gov.au) and look up the DOT Privacy Statement.

Conditions

1. This scholarship is known as the Women in Freight, Logistics and Marine Management Scholarship.
2. Its objective is to prepare women for management positions within the freight, logistics and marine sectors.
3. Any female full-time or part-time, Master's, PhD or postgraduate student starting or completing studies in the freight, logistics and/or marine field can apply for the scholarship.
4. The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of relevant work experience, academic merit and level of commitment to a career in the freight, logistics and/or marine industries.
5. The recipient of the scholarship may be offered paid part-time work in DOT throughout the academic year and/or during university holidays. There is no obligation to take up any offer of employment.
6. The scholarship recipient agrees that the \$10,000 scholarship must be used towards academic expenses for the course nominated. If the expenses exceed the value of the scholarship, they must be funded from other sources.
7. The scholarship money must not be used to pay for the repeat of failed units. The recipient will need to fund these subjects independently.
8. During the course of the year, the scholarship recipient is required to complete one assignment on a freight, logistics and/or marine issue. The recipient must ensure that this requirement is met and will need to provide DOT with a written update on the assignment, once a grade has been awarded.
9. The scholarship recipient agrees that DOT, at its discretion, may request a full or partial refund of the scholarship if the recipient does not pass the assignment undertaken on a freight, logistics and/or marine issue.
10. If DOT deems that the scholarship money has been used improperly and not for study as agreed, the recipient must refund the scholarship money or a proportion of the scholarship, as determined by DOT.
11. The scholarship recipient agrees that any money received but not spent for the sole purpose of study in the course of the academic year, must be repaid to DOT unless DOT is satisfied that the funds will be well spent over the following academic year and waives this requirement.
12. The scholarship recipient must deposit award money into an interest-bearing account for the sole use of the scholarship. This money should remain in the account until required.
13. The scholarship recipient must retain receipts of all expenses that the scholarship covers and be able to provide these records for review by DOT if requested.
14. DOT will not make any payments in excess of the \$10,000 scholarship, including the payment of any Goods and Services Tax (GST).



Application form

1. Please ensure that you have read and understand the scholarship conditions and frequently asked questions. These provide important information about the scholarship and application process.
2. Complete this application form, with contact details of two professional and/or academic referees (NB: referees will not be contacted until applicant interviews have been completed).
3. Enclose a copy of your curriculum vitae.
4. Enclose a copy of your academic record (NB: you will need to provide a certified copy of your academic record if you are selected to proceed to the interview stage).
5. On a separate sheet, tell us in 500 words (or less) about:
 - your interest in the freight, logistics and marine industry and why you wish to pursue a career in this field
 - how your selected course is relevant to the freight, logistics and marine industry.

TITLE: FIRST NAME: LAST NAME:

(for example, ms, mrs, miss, dr)

POSTAL ADDRESS:
 POSTCODE:

EMAIL ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE: FAX:

AUSTRALIAN CITIZEN: YES NO

COURSE*:

Please tick the box that most appropriately describes the stage of the course you are currently at:

Intending to apply Application submitted Application accepted/enrolled OR Partially completed

Please outline your tertiary qualifications:

Where did you hear about the scholarship?:

Print advertising Online advertising DOT website University (please specify below) Other (please specify below)

Referee 1:

NAME:

POSITION:

ORGANISATION:

TELEPHONE:

Referee 2:

I agree to the conditions of the scholarship and certify that all information provided is true and correct.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: