



AFTRS/ABC SELWYN SPEIGHT DIVERSITY RADIO SCHOLARSHIP FOR GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN RADIO INFORMATION FOR 2018

Purpose

The purpose of this scholarship is to expand and enrich the school's student community by recognising and supporting an outstanding Graduate Diploma in Radio student, selected on the basis of merit from eligible students from Indigenous or other culturally diverse backgrounds.

The AFTRS/ABC Selwyn Speight Diversity Scholarship for the Graduate Diploma in Radio is awarded to support and develop the career of the recipient, providing them with a minimum \$15,000 scholarship (final amount to be determined by the Trustee), an internship at the ABC throughout the study year followed by a 12 month employment contract if all performance measures are met.

The scholarship is intended to support students by providing contribution to a living allowance or towards relocation costs, study resources and other costs.

One scholarship may be offered in 2018 to a Graduate Diploma in Radio student after consideration by the selection committee.

Payments

The scholarship is made available via a bequest from the late Selwyn Speight, who was an ABC journalist.

The 2018 scholarship is valued at a minimum of \$15,000.

A lump sum will be paid to the scholarship recipient following the applicable census date.

Assessment of applications

The scholarship is intended to recognise both diversity and merit, and applications will be assessed on those grounds.

AFTRS will determine merit on the basis of the merit selection process applied to all Graduate Diploma in Radio applicants.

The committee will take into consideration the statement provided by the applicant regarding their Indigenous-status or other cultural background. Applicants are asked to self-identify when making an application, but may be required to supply documentation relating to their membership of a target group on request.

There is one scholarship available, competitively determined on consideration of the application ranking of candidates who fulfil the eligibility criteria.

AFTRS and the ABC will determine which, if any, applicant will be awarded the scholarship. AFTRS' decision is final and no correspondence about decisions will be entered into. An applicant cannot receive this scholarship, and the AFTRS Indigenous Scholarship for the same year.

Note the Selwyn Speight scholarship was not awarded in 2017 and the monies have been rolled over for distribution in future years.

Successful applicants will be told of any conditions of the scholarship.

Who can apply?

To be eligible to apply, you must:

- be an applicant for, or have accepted a position in, the 2018 Graduate Diploma in Radio
- be an Australian citizen or Australian permanent resident or a New Zealand citizen; and
- provide a statement identifying that you are from an Indigenous or other underrepresented cultural background.

When to apply

Applications open: Saturday July 1, 2017

Applications close: Tuesday October 16, 2017

Applications must be completed by the closing date. All applicants will be notified by email whether or not their application to the Graduate Diploma in Radio course is successful by **Monday 27 November 2017**. You will be contacted regarding the AFTRS ABC Selwyn Speight Scholarship selection by the Radio Department after that date.

How to apply

1. Merit

Your application for an AFTRS course will provide the basis to select your application based on merit to fulfill this criterion in your application. You will not need to submit any further evidence of merit.

2. Demonstrating eligibility

When you apply for the scholarship you will be asked to provide a statement regarding your cultural background.

You may be asked to provide additional documentation as required.

If you are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander you need to upload your documentation regarding recognition by your community when you apply for the scholarship.

3. Other information

In assessing your application the committee may request you provide additional supporting documents to enable them to make a final decision. You will be contacted via email to request specified documents if required.

4. Further information and application

The application portal will be open to take applications from **Thursday December 1 2017** and will close on **Sunday 15 January 2017**.

For more information and help with your application, you can contact the Student Centre on 02 9805 6444 between 9am and 5pm, Monday to Friday or email us at studentinfo@aftrs.edu.au.

You can find information about scholarships at AFTRS via this link. <https://www.aftrs.edu.au/student-centre/equity-scholarship>
