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Dr Sue Bailey (right) with her supervisor Dr Susan Young.....story p6.

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GRADUATE WOMEN (WA) 2011

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Peace and Human Security	Lalani Weddikkara
Status of Women	Barbara Taylor

Representatives, Coordinators & Other Roles

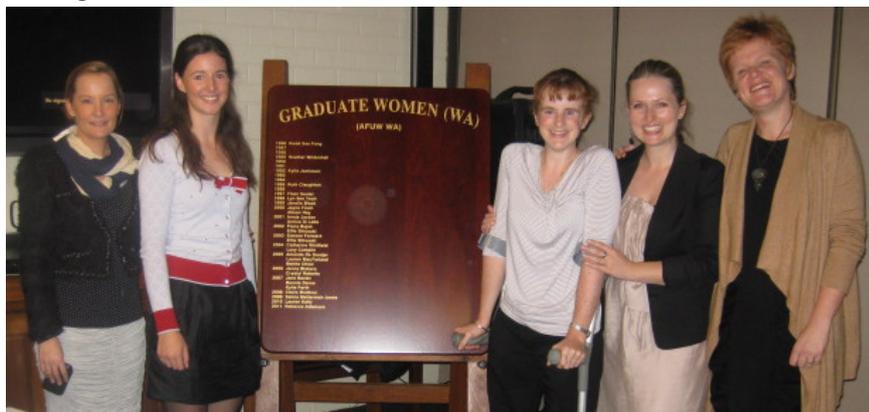
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Centenary Trust for Women Representative	Sally Male
National Council of Women Graduate Women (WA) Representatives	Lesley Cala and Margaret Giles
St Catherine's College Council Graduate Women (WA) Representative	Hilary Silbert

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Our bursary evening on Tuesday 17 May was a great success with many scholarship winners, past and present, attending. Also attending were past and present Graduate Women (WA) representatives on St Catherine's Council, including Wendy McCallum and Ruth Taylor. Due to considerable efforts by member and Past President Hilary Silbert, we were able to unveil the Graduate Women (WA) – St Catherine's Honour Board. This Honour Board has the names of past St Catherine's residents and AFUW(WA)/Graduate Women (WA) scholarship winners. Member Ruth Taylor and her daughter, Keira unveiled the Honour Board. (*See photo right*) Ruth was a past resident of St Catherine's College and Keira is a current resident.



The evening included a presentation of the Graduate Women (WA) cheque to St Catherine's College Director, Fiona Crowe, for the 2011 Graduate Women (WA) – St Catherine's winners.



(*Photo left*)

Katie Parsons, Dean, St Catherine's College; Selina Metternick-Jones, Kylie Forth, Jane Baxter – all winners of the AFUW(WA) Scholarship; and Fiona Crowe, Head of College.

After a sumptuous supper, the evening concluded with short presentations by six of our most recent scholarship winners.

Photo right: 2010 Bursary winners - Alka Sabharwal, Rebecca Rey, Ann-Maree Vallence, Clara Loi, Marian Patrick and Notre Dame Scholarship winner Madison Lloyd-Jones.



Our next event is the Annual Dinner to be held at St Catherine's College on Wednesday 27th July. It would be great to see you all there!

Dr Margaret Giles, President

VALE

Conchita Jimenez-Poncini passed away on Friday May 13th 2011, after a long struggle against cancer. She fought this sickness with courage and dignity. She left peacefully, her family beside her. We will miss her love, kindness and generosity. How to me she became the friendly human face of the organisation. Her funeral was held at the Catholic Church of Troinex, Geneva, on May 18th, 2011

Jane Baker, President AFGW Inc

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations are extended to Sue Morris (pictured left, with family) on her recent graduation at The University of Western Australia with a PhD.

Sue writes: The 2010 bursary was such a gift for me. It allowed me to finish my PhD within 3 months as I could pay for childcare and afterschool care for my 2 sons. Here is a photo of my graduation ceremony with my mother, my father (who also has a PhD) and my son Sam.

On completion of my PhD I was employed by Curtin University in a lecturer position and I am currently teaching, supervising honours, Masters and Doctoral

students and undertaking my own research. It is very busy but the perfect job for me. I enjoy the balance of research and teaching.

Thank you again Graduate Women, without your bursary it would have taken me much longer to finish.

GRADUATE WOMEN UNVEILED

A significant milestone in the history of Graduate Women (WA) happened on Tuesday 17th of May when an Honour Board for Graduate Women scholarship winners was unveiled by Ruth Taylor and her daughter Keira, Ruth being a former St Catherine's College resident and Keira a current resident!

Graduate Women have been involved with the planning and history of St Catherine's College through their first President Roberta Jull and currently through a delegate on St Catherine's College Council and providing a scholarship to the College over the last 25 years. The scholarship is valued at \$4000 and assists a rural student.

Past winners of the Graduate Women scholarship attended as did former Head of College, Yvonne Rate; current HOC Fiona Crowe, and Chair of Council Jane Powell. Current delegate to Council, Hilary Silbert, was joined by past delegates, Ruth Taylor and Wendy McCallum as well as members and friends of Graduate Women to celebrate the donation of the Honour Board which will be hung in the Withnell Dining Room of the College.

Hilary Silbert

CHRISTINE MORROW MEMORIAL PRIZE IN FRENCH CULTURAL STUDIES



Photo of Liana Tay being presented with her prize by Hilary Silbert on Wednesday 4th May, at the 2011 Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Prize Giving Ceremony at UWA. Liana is the winner of the Australian Federation of University Women (WA) Inc. Christine Morrow Memorial Prize in French Cultural Studies.

'Having studied French for several years and been on two exchanges, I had no doubt in my mind that one of my electives for my Science degree at UWA would be French. I thoroughly enjoy the language and the culture and to receive this award for studying a subject I really enjoy is a great encouragement to me as I continue to learn more about France. I would like to sincerely thank Graduate Women (WA) Inc for their generous donation and in aiding me as I pursue my studies.'

Liana Tay, May 2011

CHRISTINE MORROW MEMORIAL PRIZE IN FRENCH LANGUAGE STUDIES

Alexander Gunner, winner of the Christine Morrow Memorial Prize in French Language Studies, expresses his gratitude to Graduate Women (WA).

I really want to thank you and Graduate Women for your support.... (M)y name is Alexander Gunner, I'm 19 and a third-year Law/Arts student at the University of Western Australia. My Arts majors are French and Japanese, which is why I am spending 2011 studying at Waseda University in Tokyo. My mother is Japanese, and so I have been speaking Japanese since I was a small child. I started studying French when I lived in London at the age of eight, and I hope to study in France at some point in the next couple of years. I think the study of grammar and communication is fascinating, and I hope to be trilingual one day. My main activity outside university is music; I have been playing the piano and the viola since the age of five, and the drums since I was 16. Before I left for Tokyo, I was a member of the Western Australian Youth Orchestra, and I participated in the Australian Youth Orchestra National Music Camp in Adelaide in January this year. I love jazz and classical music in particular.

Alexander Gunner, June 2011

VIRGINIA GILDERSLEEVE INTERNATIONAL FUND

Current committee member and Peace Convenor, Lalani Weddikkara, has accepted a position of the Virginia Gildersleeve International Fund committee for 2011 to 2013. Lalani was recently presented with a certificate of appreciation for her generous contributions to the Fund at the IFUW Conference in Mexico in 2010.



CONGRATULATIONS - BURSARY RECIPIENT GRADUATION



I am writing this email to thank you for your letter of congratulations (on my graduation). It was lovely to receive this acknowledgement.

I completed my PhD entitled "Social Work[er] responses to Terrorism" in 2010 after 8 years. During this time I, like many of your members, juggled the raising of children with paid work and study.

The support of the Graduate Women (WA) was instrumental in my successful completion for a number of reasons. Practically, the Joyce Riley bursary funded a trip to East Timor for the second phase of my data collection. However I think what is just as significant for me was the awareness that an organisation like the Graduate Women (WA) existed. That there were strong women who had confidence in my abilities but who also understood the challenges and sacrifices an endeavour like a PhD entailed.

On my graduation day I hired my gown from the Federation of Graduate Women. As I walked into the building I felt many different emotions: gratitude, pride, relief and an enormous sense of accomplishment. When I put on my gown and cap and I looked at my self in the mirror I cried as I realised that I had finally done it. And at my side, physically now, were the women of the Australian Federation of Graduate Women. Thank you all for your energy and support.

Dr Sue Bailey, Lecturer, Social Work and Social Policy, UWA

PENCILS FOR PAKISTAN,

Graduate Women (WA) donations to Pencils for Pakistan were forwarded to AFGW who then sent a combined amount to IFUW. This meant only one currency conversion fee from donations within Australia. Thanks to WA members who supported this at the December 2010 Barbecue.

Susan Phillips, International Federation of University Women, Geneva, Switzerland wrote to Deborah Haydon, Treasurer, AFGW

”Thank you very much for the AFGW donation of Swiss francs 135 to *Pencils for Pakistan* made by bank transfer in January 2011. We are delighted that AFGW members have chosen to support this worthy cause. We are also very touched by this generosity at a time when many AFGW members must be experiencing great difficulties themselves as a result of devastating floods.

This gift will help to provide much-needed writing materials for school girls in the flood-stricken areas of Pakistan and help to ease the financial burden of their education. Your name has been added to the list of donors so that you will received periodic updates about the project which you can pass onto your members.

Thank you again for this donation which will make a real difference to the lives of many girls.”

CALL FOR DONATIONS



In 2011 Graduate Women (WA)

will be supporting the Teen Parenting Centre at Balga Senior High School.

The Centre offers childcare for high school girls who have had a child and are keen to continue their education after the birth.

The main fundraising event for the Centre is a huge Xmas Stocking Raffle.

We are calling for our members to donate new items which can be added to this stocking please.

Items can include household items (like a toaster), kids toys, books, Christmas food (tinned/packaged), etc.

We hope to help construct a really big stocking by the end of the year.
And the raffle will be drawn at the Centre's Xmas party.

Donations can be dropped off to Karen in the office at 4 Park Road.

Let's get behind this wonderful Teen Parenting Centre, and help make a difference
... to the girls, their babies and their future.



CONGRATULATIONS - MEMBERSHIP OF IFUW BOARD

Graduate Women (WA) congratulates Australian members, listed below, who were elected to positions within IFUW in 2010. Anita Earle submitted a detailed report which follows.

Board of Officers: IFUW Vice President Jennifer Strauss

Also Committee for the Award of International Fellowships 2010-2013; Status of Women Committee, and IFUW Resolutions Committee

Finance Committee Member: Tricia L. Blombery

Committee for the Award of International Fellowships Member: Marion A. Jones

Hegg Hoffet Committee Member: Anita Earle

Overseas HH fund for Displaced Women Graduates and deals with applications for assistance from Graduate Women who have been displaced as a result of war or political upheaval, natural disasters or other serious emergencies.

Special Committee on Project Development Member: Michelle Imison

VICE PRESIDENT - IFUW BOARD

I was honoured to be elected to the IFUW Board of Officers at the 2010 Triennial Conference in Mexico—the first Australian member of the Board for, I think, about forty years, although a number of Australian members had been active over those years on various IFUW Committees; for instance I was just coming off two terms as a member of the Status of Women Committee and during those six years we'd also had members on the Finance, Fellowships and Membership Committees. It's a very strong indication of support, as Committee members, despite the increasing use of emails to conduct all IFUW business, are usually expected to attend at least a couple of Board and Committee Meetings during the triennium and must be able to meet all costs except for a modest partial reimbursement of an economy airfare. It's more generous for Board members, but the commitment in money as well as time is still considerable.

Apart from the President, Marianne Haselgrave, and the Treasurer, Catherine Bell, there are four Board members, each of whom is also an IFUW Vice-President. We're currently a very international group, with the other Vice-Presidents being from Mexico (Patricia Galeana), France (Anne Nègre), and the Netherlands (Willemijn van der Meer), while Marianne and Catherine are respectively from the UK and South Africa. You can find out more about them from the IFUW website. Each V-P has a portfolio of tasks, a major one being that of liaising with the Committees to ensure that the lines of communication between Board and Committees are clear and that we are all working in the same direction. There are seven Committees: Status of Women, Membership, Young Members, Resolutions, Fellowships, Projects and Hegg Hoffett (which provides funds to women graduates whose studies or careers have been adversely affected by natural or man-made disasters). My liaison attachments are to the Status of Women, Fellowships and Resolutions Committees.

Fellowships has recently been very busy assessing 57 applicants for the various IFUW Fellowships: a really hard task as so many of them had impressive academic records and such intellectually challenging and socially important projects, and so many of them clearly needed financial support. Resolutions will become more active as the 2013 Conference approaches, but meanwhile we have set up a page on the IFUW website where there can be up to date reporting of action taken by NFAs on the current resolutions. Our CIR, Dalma Jacobs, has been very active in submitting material, so you should feel proud if you check it out the relevant website page. Status of Women members are busy most of the time, as they are responsible for getting the Programme for Action and its resource material onto the website and keeping it up to date, keeping watch on advocacy matters, organizing the various website discussions and blogs (do check these out) and organizing the Seminars and Workshops that take place during Conference. I've just finished editing some of the papers given in Mexico for publication on the IFUW website, and already planning has begun for 2013. I hope that this time we'll see more activity from Australian members in the Seminars and Workshops. Turkey promises to be an exciting Conference venue, so do think about attending and participating.

Jennifer Strauss, Member, Graduate Women, Victoria.

(Jenny was sent a congratulatory letter by President Dr Margaret Giles on her appointment to the IFUW Board. The above is her response.)

FIRST TIME TO GENEVA

It was somewhat to my surprise that I was elected a member of the IFUW Finance committee at the Mexico conference. I have no qualifications in the financial field and had offered as a candidate simply so AFGW would be seen as an active member of our international body. When I saw the credentials of the others I tried to pull out but the Secretary General urged me to remain. I thus became one of the two elected members.

On this basis going to my first Finance meeting in Geneva in March was a frightening experience especially so as I had been travelling for 3 weeks beforehand and had not received any of the papers. Sight reading a 7 page set of audited accounts in Swiss Francs and attempting to make a sensible contribution was rather daunting. I felt I spent a great deal of the three day meeting just asking inane questions but the chair as well as the IFUW Treasurer, Catherine Bell, and president, Marianne Haslegrave, assured and encouraged me.

So what does the IFUW Finance Committee do? And how does it attempt to achieve this scattered around the world? It is “responsible for overseeing IFUW’s finances, advising the IFUW Conference Council and Board of Officers on financial policy, managing IFUW’s investment portfolio and ensuring that IFUW policy is implemented and expenditure remains within budget.” It also has practical tasks such as supervising investments and annual expenditure, approving the conference budget and annual budgets and recommending the rate of members dues.

Luckily most of this is done by our paid professionals. The finance officer works with the Secretary General in the Geneva office to implement all the day to day activities and they are supervised by an appointed Assistant Treasurer, Sheila Buemi-Moore, in Geneva. She also manages staffing, social and general office issues in conjunction with the Secretary General. The Assistant Treasurer in the Country of the Largest NFA, currently Canada – Roberta Brooks, oversees the investment portfolio which is managed by a broker in the US. Our elected treasurer, Catherine Bell, is ex officio a member of the committee and the liaison with the Board.

The Committee meets annually in Geneva both to look at the financial specifics and to discuss wider policy initiatives and this time had the benefit of having the president with us as well. Much of the discussion is of necessity confidential and will be released by the Board. What we actually dealt with was both positive and negative. At March 2011 IFUW has 61 national members representing 25,198 women. Three members – Chile, Sri Lanka and Estonia - had lapsed and another 11 are endangered. Plans were discussed to attempt to keep these groups in the Federation and several will be assisted by twinning with a more affluent nation. AFGW had helped 2 of our Pacific neighbours pay their dues.

In her opening remarks the President asserted, and we agreed, that we need to spend in order to survive. Although income received exceeded budget, the drop in membership, the unusual expenditure from bringing the Board meeting forward, and the considerable losses from the Mexico conference meant a loss in 2010 and a deficit budget for the triennium. Fortunately we have the financial reserves to draw on and will begin to see the benefits of the new fee formula accepted at conference so could justify this decision.

Two areas where we were delighted we had the funds were the approval of the IFUW Fellowships and Grants for 2011/12 (where Oz members Marion Jones (Q) and Jenny Strauss (Vic) helped with selections) and the endorsement of the exciting programmes that the Projects Committee (chaired by Michelle Imison (NSW)) had decided at their meeting which ran parallel to ours.

Not surprisingly a lot of the discussion centred on building membership and the need to show members value for their subscriptions. Marianne told us about the Education Advocacy Handbook, which is now available on the IFUW web, the deliberations at the UN Commission for Women meetings where IFUW took a large team which included 2 Oz members, and plans the Board has to see that our advocacy work is more effective and thus helps to enhance our international profile.

It was exciting to meet with the IFUW Exec and staff and I didn’t freeze to death so I look forward to flying the Australian flag in future meetings. I can’t possibly go into all the discussions over the three days but keep your eyes on IFUW Update reports you should receive approximately monthly and regularly check the IFUW website www.ifuw.org to see how you are helping to empower women around the world by your membership in AFGW.

‘Tricia Blombery, June 2011

HEGG HOFFET FUND

The current convenor of Hegg Hoffet is Marian Ennis, a relocation consultant who lives in Vancouver, Canada. Committee member Anne Hennon lives in France, although she is originally from Ireland. Anne holds a Master of Public Administration from the JFK School of Government at Harvard University. Our newest member Joy Dunsheath from New Zealand, has shown remarkable talent for fund-raising.

My own background is one of immigration, in that I came to Australia at the age of 7 with my parents from the Netherlands. We disembarked in Melbourne where we were incarcerated in Bonegilla due to a severe polio epidemic. We subsequently travelled to Sydney where my father found work.

In the Hawkesbury Valley west of Sydney, my mother and I lived for three years with refugees from war torn Europe, in Scheyville Holding Camp. Thus I have first hand experience of the physical and psychological refugee/asylum seeking processes, and the benefits of education and empowerment. These days we are much more aware of the importance of Community, and the *glue* that binds societies.

Today I am a retired Child and Family Therapist and Conflict Resolution Mediator, still passionate about World Peace and the well-being of our global family and environment.

Together with our international members, this combines to make a valuable network of knowledge and skills.

Our Convenor is an extremely diligent evaluator who sifts through all questionable information from our applicants, in consultation with her committee members together with our graduate women colleagues and the applicant's referees, in the countries involved in the application.

This ensures that all HH protocol and guidelines are honoured. The funds are well spent: typically on language/requalifying/computer upgrade courses which Hegg Hoffet tends to pay directly to the service provider, with the recipients' gratitude and well-being more than rewarding to us.

The valuable sources for our funds are the individuals and chapters of Graduate Women around the world who have a heart for dislocated, disempowered women, and our Hegg Hoffet boutique which is run at the International Conferences; in 2013 we will be in Istanbul.

Australian items sell like hot cakes at the boutique, and therefore comprise a substantial portion of the pool of funds held in a Swiss bank account in Geneva, this being the headquarters of the International Federation of University Women.

This income is then distributed to graduate refugee women whose lives and careers have been decimated through war or other catastrophe/cataclysm.

Recently we agreed to pay \$300 in fees to a reputable language college in South Africa, for a lawyer who had fled from a war-torn country. Our detective work on the application, which was muddled and confusing in so many ways, was aided by research and other helpful local knowledge and information, from colleagues in South Africa.

The gratitude expressed by a traumatised woman re-orienting, often with children, in a foreign culture, is very moving indeed.

One such example is a graduate in journalism who fled from Africa to Latvia with her son, leaving behind two older children. Hegg Hoffet paid for her language course, where both Latvian and Russian are needed in order to work there. We paid for the course in term increments, which meant that we heard from both the lady herself, and course instructors, on her progress, giving her encouragement and moral support along the way. More recently, we were deeply moved to see photos of her graduation, with staff and her son.

We are occasionally given permission to use such photos for public relations, but we must at all times use extreme caution in protecting the privacy of these precious people.

Another example is a South Asian doctor, now a refugee in France. Hegg Hoffet paid Alliance Francaise for her language course, with our committee member in France staying in touch as a key person with whom the Pakistani doctor could communicate on local issues.

The final words are from a Middle Eastern doctor who found refuge in America, where HH funded her requalifying medical exams:

“Let me first express my deepest thanks and gratitude for your assistance during my Hegg Hoffet fund application process. You were very supportive and nice during the entire application process. Also I want to thank the members of the selection committee for approving my grant application and supporting the steps I 'm doing to re-establish myself as a doctor again in my new safe heaven. I will not let neither you nor the selection committee down and I will study hard to pass those exams as planned and get the licence and apply for physician jobs here in the US.

Anita Earle, Hegg Hoffet Committee Member, IFUW

CHILOUT – CHILDREN OUT OF IMMIGRATION DETENTION

Read about the latest news on www.chilout.org about children being released from detention, donating toys to detention centres, submission to the Senate Inquiry (Senator Hanson-Young lodged a bill to establish a federal Commissioner for Children and Young People. ChilOut strongly endorses this Bill), and the Human Rights Commission Report into Darwin detention. AHRC recently released their report on their investigation into the immigration detention facilities in Darwin. You can read the full report here:

http://www.humanrights.gov.au/human_rights/immigration/idc2010_darwin.html

Lalani Weddikkara, Peace Convener, Graduate Women (WA)

GRADUATE WOMEN (WA) COMMITTEE MEETINGS 2011

July	Wednesday	6 th	 4 Park Rd, Nedlands. 6:00 pm for 6:15 pm start	September	Wednesday	7 th
August	Wednesday	3 rd		October	Wednesday	5 th
				November	Wednesday	2 nd

GRADUATE WOMEN (WA) BOOK CLUBS 2011

Meetings are held at GRADUATE WOMEN (WA) House, 4 Park Rd, Nedlands.

June	Thursday 16th and Saturday 25th	September	Thursday 15th and Saturday 24th
July	Thursday 22nd and Saturday 24th	October	Thursday 20 th and Saturday 22nd
August	Thursday 18th and Saturday 27th	November	Thursday 17th and Saturday 26th

GRADUATE WOMEN (WA) POETRY CLUB MEETINGS 2011

Second Tuesday of each month at the GRADUATE WOMEN (WA) House, 4 Park Rd, Nedlands.

June	14th	10.30am		September	13th	10.30am
July	12th	10.30am		October	11th	10.30am
August	9th	10.30am		November	8th	10.30am

GRADUATE WOMEN (WA) EVENTS AND MEETINGS 2011

July	Wednesday 27 th July	Graduate Women (WA) Annual Dinner and Celebrations of 40 th Year of Awarding Bursaries
August	5 th – 19 th August	Trip to Sri Lanka
September	Tuesday 13 th , Wednesday 14 th , Thursday 15 th , Monday 19 th and Tuesday 20 th September	UWA Graduations
October	Tuesday 25 th October	Annual General Meeting
December	Wednesday 7 th Dec.	Sundowner BBQ

INVITATION

Graduate Women (WA) founded 1923 Forty Years of Awarding Bursaries Annual Dinner

**The President of Graduate Women (WA)
Dr Margaret Giles
has much pleasure in inviting you
to the
Annual Dinner on Wednesday 27th of July
at 7pm
at the **Roberta Jull Common Room, St Catherine's College, Crawley.****

**Guest speaker
Professor Celia Hammond**

Vice Chancellor of the University of Notre Dame and former resident at St Catherine's College



Professor Celia Hammond *BJuris (Hons), LL.M*

Professor Hammond holds the position of Vice Chancellor at Notre Dame with direct responsibility for managing and overseeing the University's student population on the Broome, Fremantle and Sydney campuses. Professor Hammond is a legal practitioner with experience in private practice in Western Australia. She has held senior leadership, management and teaching positions at Notre Dame, where she has been a staff member for over ten years. She was Head of the University's School of Law, and served as the University's General Counsel, Executive Director of the Vice Chancellery, and Assistant Provost. She has wide experience teaching in commercial law and has published in the areas of corporate, property, and insolvency law. She also has experience in industrial relations.

**Price includes delicious three course meal and drinks
\$70 for members and \$75 for non members
Tables of 8 available**

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GRADUATE WOMEN (WA) INC

2011 Awards

BURSARIES

Graduate Women (WA) Mary Walters Bursary

value up to \$4,000

This Bursary is open to women enrolled for a higher degree by research in science.

Graduate Women (WA) Jillian Bradshaw Bursary

value up to \$4,000

This Bursary is open to women enrolled for a higher degree by research in the humanities.

It is also open to women who have completed a Ph.D., are preparing their research for publication but have no academic position.

SCHOLARSHIPS

These Scholarships are offered by the AFUW(WA) Education Trust Scholarship Fund under ATO rules, which must be strictly adhered to.

Only Australian citizens and Permanent Residents are eligible to apply for the Scholarships listed below.

The scholarships may not be used for any purpose overseas except for study which is a component of an approved Australian university course conducted in an educational institution overseas.

Graduate Women (WA) Open Scholarship

value up to \$5,000

Open to women enrolled for a higher degree by research in any discipline.

Graduate Women (WA) Mary and Elsie Stevens Scholarship

value up to \$4,000

This Scholarship is open to women enrolled for a higher degree by research in mathematics or science.

Graduate Women (WA) Joyce Riley Scholarship

value up to \$4000

This Scholarship is open to women enrolled for a higher degree by research or coursework in the humanities or social sciences.

Closing date: noon on 29 July 2011

Applications

Application forms will be available from the website:

<http://members.westnet.com.au/afuwwa> Alternatively, these can be requested by email: gwwa@westnet.com.au or by phone: 08 9386 3570

The funds for Graduate Women (WA) Scholarship and Bursaries come from donations, fundraising activities including the hiring of academic gowns and generosity of members. Membership of Graduate Women (WA) is open to all women who have graduated from a university or a recognised equivalent tertiary institution. We would welcome your application for membership.



**Empowering women
and girls through
lifelong education**



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GRADUATE WOMEN (WA) Inc AWARDS 2011

Applications close at noon on Friday, 29 July 2011

General Conditions

- The bursaries and scholarships (together referred to as awards) will be awarded on the ground of academic distinction.
- These awards are to fund a special academic purpose which will assist a woman to enhance the quality of the higher degree for which she is enrolled.
- Graduate Women (WA) and the Trustees reserve the right not to make an award or to award less than the applicant has requested.
- The decision of Graduate Women (WA) and the Trustees is final and no further correspondence will be entered into.

Eligibility Checklist

All Graduate Women (WA) awards are open to women of any age who meet the eligibility criteria.

Awards are **not** open to candidates enrolled in honours or higher diploma courses.

An applicant who has previously received a Graduate Women (WA) award may not apply again.

The applicant must not be in full-time employment.

Awards will not be awarded for the purchase of computers.

An applicant will not be offered more than one award.

To be eligible for any Graduate Women(WA) bursary or scholarship the applicant must:

- be enrolled for a higher degree at a university in Western Australia; OR
- if the applicant already holds a degree from a university in Western Australia she may be enrolled for a higher degree at any recognised university.

Graduate Women (WA) Scholarships are awarded by the AFUW(WA) Inc Education Trust under ATO rules, which must be strictly adhered to.

To be eligible for a Scholarship the applicant must, in addition to the above:

- be an Australian citizen or Permanent Resident (documentary evidence may be required); AND
 - demonstrate that any funds to be used overseas will be for study which is a component of an approved Australian university course conducted in an overseas educational institution.
- Referees must specify that the application complies.

Application requirements

1. A non-refundable application fee of \$30 applies to each application.
2. Applications, including supporting documents, are to be submitted as Word or PDF documents and lodged by email: gwwa@westnet.com.au. This is the preferred option. In exceptional circumstances applications can be submitted in hard copy but four (4) copies of the complete application are required for distribution to the assessors.
3. The same Application is sufficient to be considered for all selected awards.
4. The Application Form, which is a Word document, should be obtained from Graduate Women (WA) either off the website or by email.
5. With the application include:
 - (a) a list of the PDF and/or Word documents that make up this application;
 - (b) scans (or photocopies) of your certified academic record;
 - (c) proof of your enrolment for a higher degree;
 - (d) full details about your research topic and special academic purpose; and
 - (e) an itemised budget of how the money requested will be spent.
6. Provide also:
 - (a) an explanation of why the funding is not available from other sources;
 - (b) a list of the possible benefits of your research to the community.
7. Applicants must provide details of two referees and request each referee to email a reference to the Awards Liaison Officer at the Graduate Women (WA) office, gwwa@westnet.com.au before the closing date. It is the responsibility of the applicant to check that references have been sent and received in time. Referees' reports will be verified.
8. It is the Applicant's responsibility to check and confirm, before the closing date and time, that her emailed application has been received successfully at the Graduate Women (WA) office.

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