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THEOLOGICAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION LTD

Jeanette Little Scholarship Scheme

Information

This sponsorship scheme has been set up in memory of Jeanette Little to honour her many years of dedicated work with theological librarians in the Pacific. Jeanette was Librarian at Pacific Theological College in Suva, Fiji (1990-2000) and Trinity Theological College in Brisbane (2001-2003). While working at the Pacific Theological College, she was responsible for organizing various basic training programmes for librarians working in small theological libraries and had travelled widely in the Pacific region. Jeanette also worked as the Library Consultant to SPATS (South Pacific Association of Theological Schools) in 2000-2001.

The Jeanette Little Scholarship Scheme is administered by the Board of the Australian and New Zealand Theological Library Association. It aims to contribute to the professional development of theological librarians in the Islands of the South Pacific. Grants to individuals may be made up to AU$2000 to enable training, attendance at conferences, purchase of suitable professional resources, or other activities within the parameters below as shall be suggested by an applicant or any ANZTLA member.

Eligibility

To be eligible to apply for the scholarship, applicants must:

- Be working full-time or part-time in a theological library in the Islands of the South Pacific (excluding Australia and New Zealand).
- Provide detailed and accurate information in their application form
- Be prepared to meet the expectations of successful recipients
- Have the support of their employers

Preference will be given to applicants from ANZTLA member institutions. However, applicants from non-member institutions are encouraged to apply. More than one person from an institution may apply. Applicants who have not received a grant previously will receive preference if all else is equal. It is expected that funding recipients will return to employment in their library or another theological library in the Pacific, following any conference or course for which funding was provided.

Parameters

The purpose of funding is for the professional development of library staff, for example:

- Funding to attend the annual conference of ANZTLA (note: see Expectations below)
- Assistance with fees to study Librarianship at a tertiary level
- The purchase of professional development materials for use by library staff
- Attendance at relevant local professional development seminars or conferences
- Expert assistance or consultancies
- Training in the introduction of new technology
- A professional (for example an ANZTLA member) to visit your library to deliver professional development, assistance with a specific project, etc

- Work placements in an ANZTLA member library

Applicants may nominate other programmes which might be undertaken with financial assistance from the Scheme.

What will JLSS funds pay for?

When an application is made to attend the annual ANZTLA conference:

- Funding will cover conference registration, accommodation and food for the duration of the conference. Costs for other meals will not be covered by JLSS.
- International itinerary will be organised by ANZTLA and airfares paid for by JLSS.
- Additional expenses that may be covered by JLSS include Visa fees, inter-island transport, accommodation before and after international flights and taxi fares to and from the International airport.
- Recipients are responsible for paying increases in expenses after the JLSS funding has been approved.
- Travel insurance will be purchased to cover recipients from the time of leaving home until arrival back at home.
- Funding will cover expenses for the duration of the conference and transportation to and from the home country. Extensions of travel time in order to visit ANZTLA libraries or other library related business may be negotiated.
- JLSS funding may not cover all expenses applied for. Applicants should submit a budget which would include airfares, conference fees, en route accommodation and expenses with an indication of what their College would be prepared to contribute to overall costs. The Board will evaluate each application according to JLSS guidelines and notify applicants of the expenses to be covered by JLSS.

Funding for other seminars, workshops or conferences will be similar to that outlined above.

Funding for other projects will be determined on a case by case basis.

Selection Criteria

The Board of ANZTLA will judge funding applications on the basis of relative merit with reference to the following criteria:

- How the applicant expects the scholarship to impact their work and their theological library;
- How and when the JLSS money is to be used;
- Recommendations and references;
- Preference will be given to applicants from ANZTLA member institutions; however applicants from non-member institutions are encouraged to apply.
- More than one person from an institution may apply.
- Applicants do not need to have formal library qualifications.
- Applicants who have not received a grant previously will receive preference if all else is equal. Previous recipients of a grant under this scheme may not be eligible to receive further funding for a period of 2 years.

The Board may grant more than one scholarship in a year. It is not obliged to grant a scholarship if, in its view, no applicant meets the criteria. The decision of the Board is final. However, applicants may reapply in future years.

Expectations

Successful JLSS applicants attending the ANZTLA Conference will be expected to:

- Prepare a written report for the ANZTLA Board within 1 month of the ANZTLA Conference detailing how they were impacted, what was learnt and what may be put to use in their library situation etc (approx. 1 page). This report may be published in the ANZTLA EJournal.
- Attend and participate in all ANZTLA Conference sessions and activities.
- Prepare and present a short presentation about their library at the ANZTLA Conference.

Application Procedure

Applications should be submitted (preferably) by email to:

The Secretary, ANZTLA Ltd.
Email: secretary@anztla.org

Postal address:

Helen Greenwood
ANZTLA Secretary
1/104 Trafalgar Street
St Albans
Christchurch 8014
New Zealand

by **1 May 2025**

The recipients of the scholarship will be notified in writing by **30 May 2025**