



NORTHERN NSW
FOOTBALL

NNSWF Aboriginal and Torres Strait
Islander Talented Coach
Scholarship 2022/2023
Guidelines

Application Form: [2022/2023 Talented Indigenous Coach Scholarship](#)

Application Opening Date: 29 November 2022

Application Closing Date: 16 December 2022



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About the Northern NSW Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Talented Coach Scholarship

The Northern NSW Football Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Talented Coach Scholarship (the Scholarship) is an initiative of Northern NSW Football (NNSWF), which has been established to provide funding assistance to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander coaches to complete a Football Australia or Football Australia/AFC Advanced coaching course.

The Scholarship provides the opportunity for up to two (2) male Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander coaches to complete a Football Australia or Football Australia/AFC Advanced coaching course. The two (2) scholarships will be awarded to one (1) metro-based male and one (1) regional-based male.

The Scholarship will provide assistance (per coach) as follows:

Item	Per Coach
Contribution towards FA or FA/AFC Advanced Licence Course	Up to \$1,000
Accommodation Assistance	Up to \$1,575
Travel Assistance	Up to \$300

Each scholarship includes a \$1,000 contribution towards an advanced coaching course fee. (Successful candidates will be required to contribute the outstanding course fee over and above \$1,000).

Coaches will receive ongoing support from NNSWF's Female Participation & Inclusion Officer.

The successful Applicant will be required to complete the Scholarship by 31st December 2023 attend the 2023 NNSWF State Coaching Conference.



Strategic Goals

The Scholarship addresses the following Northern NSW Football Strategic Goals:

NNSWF Focus Area: Participating

- Address why participants leave the game and implement initiatives which will make the game more inclusive and accessible by addressing the barriers to initial participation

NNSWF Focus Area: Talent Development

- Significantly increase the number of clubs that are equipped to provide quality football experiences and serve their local community
- Develop coaches who have the capacity to develop players' technical, tactical, physical, psychological, and social attributes
- Improve the technical standard of players at every level of the game, creating a larger pool of talented players
- Increase the capacity of coaches to identify and develop talented players

The Scholarship addresses the following FFA Principles:

FFA XI Principles

Principle I: Build a consistent and strong identity for Australian football which inspires all Australians:

- Connect with our Indigenous heritage and our diverse history;
 - Develop a clear plan for the development and growth of Indigenous football that creates opportunities in football for Indigenous talent whilst also making meaningful contribution to reconciliation

Principle VI: Create world class environments for coach and referee development

- Build a deeper understanding of the coach and referee development ecosystem in Australian football
 - Increase the number of coaches and referees by removing the barriers to education, especially for women and Indigenous Australians



Scholarship Objectives

The objectives of the Program are:

1. Increase the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander coaches;
2. Improve the standard of Coaching in Clubs;
3. Increase opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander coaches to engage in professional development;
4. Identify and showcase the next generation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander coaches who have potential to work at the highest level of the game; and
1. Showcase Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander coaches as role models for the next generation of Indigenous players and coaches

Who is Eligible to Apply for the Scholarship?

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Coaches who are registered as a Coach within the national [PlayFootball](#) registration system in 2022 who will register in 2023.
- Minimum age: 18 years old

Who is Ineligible to Apply for the Scholarship?

- Coaches of a non-Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background.
- Individuals who are not registered within the national [PlayFootball](#) registration system to a NNSWF/Zone Club. This includes but not limited to:
 - Coaches at a club who is affiliated to another Member Federation;
 - Coaches employed by A-League or W-League clubs; and

Assessment Process

An initial eligibility assessment will be undertaken to determine that:

- The Applicant is eligible to apply;
- The Applicant provides a Club Letter of Offer for 2023; and
- The application meets the Scholarship criteria and is submitted by the closing date.



A panel of representatives from NNSWF's Community Football and Player Development departments will assess the merit of all eligible applications and score each applicant against the assessment criteria.

The NNSWF Talented Player and Coach Development Manager and Female Participation and Inclusion Officer will assess recommendations from the panel and approve the distribution of the Scholarships.

Assessment Criteria

Applications will be assessed on merit and scored against the following criteria:

- Applicant to have completed one or more Community Coaching Courses;
- A Letter of Offer from the Club the applicant plans to coach at in 2023;
- History of coaching experience and specifically developing players; and
- An outline of how the applicant wishes to progress as a coach over the next 5 years

Scholarship Time Frame

NNSWF will open applications for the Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Player Scholarship on 29 November 2022 and close 16 December 2022.

Successful Applicants will be announced in January 2023.

The Scholarship time frame is at the absolute discretion of NNSWF.

How to Apply

1. Visit www.northernnswfootball.com.au for information about the Scholarship and determine if you are eligible to apply.
2. [Complete the online application](#)
3. Submit the application by 5pm 16 December 2022

Notification

Applicants will receive an email to confirm that the application has been submitted successfully.

Successful applicants will be notified in writing, with details of how to accept the Scholarship.



Applicants who are unsuccessful will also be notified in writing of the outcome of their application.

Payment of Scholarship

Successful Applicants will be required to enter into a Scholarship agreement. Once the Scholarship agreement has been signed, the Applicant will need to identify their course of choice.

Once registered onto their course of choice the applicant will be invoiced for the balance of the course fee. Failure to make payment may result in subtraction of Scholarship from the Applicant.

At no stage during the scholarship will Northern NSW Football provide cash amounts to scholarship recipients. Payment of scholarship amounts will occur directly by Northern NSW Football on behalf of scholarships.

Travel Assistance Contribution will be provided by Northern NSW Football to the scholarship recipient if deemed necessary in relation to the course the recipient is registered on. Travel Assistance, if applicable, will be provided in the form of fuel vouchers.

Accommodation Assistance will be provided by Northern NSW Football to the scholarship recipient if deemed necessary in relation to the course the recipient is registered on. Accommodation Assistance, if applicable, will provide recipients with accommodation for nights surrounding the relevant Advanced Coaching course and will be booked and paid for directly by Northern NSW Football on behalf of the recipient.

Scholarships must be completed by 31st December 2023.

Disclaimer

The submission of an application does not guarantee a Scholarship.

Privacy Policy

NNSWF will collect and store the information the Applicant voluntarily provides to enable processing of the application. Any information provided by the Applicant will be stored on a database that will only be accessed by authorised personnel and is subject to privacy restrictions.



NNSWF is required to comply with the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998. NNSWF collects the minimum personal information to enable it to contact an Applicant and to assess the merits of an application.

Applicants must ensure that people and member clubs whose personal details are supplied with applications are aware that NNSWF is being supplied with this information and how this information will be used.

Disclosure of Scholarship Information

Information submitted in the application will be shared with the NNSWF representatives and assessors. Should your application be successful NNSWF may wish to provide certain information to the media for promotional purposes. This information will include name, member club, and coaching history. The contact details supplied by the Applicant may also be provided.

Important Notes

The capacity to efficiently assess an application is conditional upon the Applicant submitting a complete and accurate application. Applications may be deemed ineligible if all information is not provided.

Apart from organisational and Applicant contact details, information provided in applications cannot be changed after the closing date.

Further Information

Please direct enquiries to:

- NNSWF Female Participation and Inclusion Officer – 02 4941 7200