



ALGWA Vic Annual Bursary Award Winners

1989 Tania Basic: Technical officer, Engineering Services Division, Springvale City Council, who had a diploma of engineering from Singapore, and was completing a Bachelor of Civil Engineering.

1990 Karen Fazzani: Administration officer, Shire of Korong, Wedderburn, who was studying to be a municipal clerk.

1991 Louise Lowe: Planning Department, Shire of Pakenham, (Major Award) undertaking a degree in Applied Science (Urban Policy and Planning). Minor Awards were given to **Tracey-Lee Cooke**, Footscray Council, Diploma of Building Surveying and **Christine Creaser**, Frankston Council, post-graduate Diploma in Aust. Tourism.

1992 Linda Janson: City of Moe, gardening apprentice. Minor Awards were given to **Marlene Battista**, apprentice structural engineer with Shire of Tambo, and **Nicki Gabrielson**, apprentice electrical engineer with Melbourne Electric.

1993 Marlene Battista: special projects engineer, Shire of Tambo. Minor Awards were given to **Alicia Jones**, executive assistant to CEO, City of Berwick and **Pauline McCarthy**, landscape architect, City of Springvale.

1994 Mary Lou Dixon: Hobsons Bay Council; she was completing a Graduate Certificate of Applied Science in Heritage and Environment Interpretation. Equal second was given to **Jodie Fisher**, community services officer, Swan Hill Council and **Julie Cogdon**, while third place went to **Heide Nelson**.

1995 Juanita Graves: human resources manager. [No other details currently known.]

1996 Liz Chapman [no other details currently known.]

1997 Michelle Toppin [no other details currently known.]

1998 Colleen Young: marketing and customer service coordinator, Engineer Group, City of Melbourne, who was undertaking a post-graduate degree in marketing. A Minor Award was given to **Jodie Prior**, administrative assistant, Leisure, Arts and Information Services, Mildura Rural City Council, who was undertaking a Bachelor of Applied Science in Recreation and Parks.

The Bursary was not awarded again until 2003.

2003 Sylvia Sweeney: executive administration officer, Northern Grampians Shire Council.

2004 Joint winners: **Elizabeth Shu**, social planner, Macedon Ranges Shire Council and **Julia Farrell**, community planner, Wellington Shire Council.

2005 Trisha Love: manager, communications and public affairs, Darebin City Council, who was completing a Master of Business Administration.

2006 Veronica Beauchamp: manager, tourism and development services, Alpine Shire Council, who was completing a Graduate Diploma of Management.

2007 Anita Craven: manager, asset strategy, Darebin City Council, who was undertaking a Bachelor of Arts.

2008 Tracey Mallett: manager, organisational development, City of Whittlesea Council, who was undertaking a Masters of Information Systems at the University of Melbourne.

2009 Kathryn McBride: co-ordinator, aged and disability care services, City of Greater Geelong Council, who was undertaking a Masters in Professional Accounting at Deakin University.

2010 Sarah Ford: building surveyor, Benalla Rural City Council, who was undertaking an Advanced Diploma of Building Surveying at Gordon Institute of TAFE.

2011 Amara Hamid: multi-cultural community development officer, City of Monash, who was undertaking a Masters in International and Community Development at Deakin University.

2012 Samantha Dureau: Team Leader, Community and Corporate Planning, Whittlesea Council, who was undertaking a Master of Business Administration at Latrobe University.

2013 Marie Downie: Human Resources Coordinator, Baw Baw Shire, who was undertaking a Masters of Employment Relations at Griffith University.

2014 Katrina Williams: Senior Landscape Architect in the Environment and Sustainable Living Department at Boroondara Council; Katrina is undertaking a Master's Degree in Urban Planning and Environment at RMIT.

2015 Melissa Crane: Senior Planning Officer, Murrindindi Council, who is studying a Graduate Diploma in Management through Swinburne University, a course specially tailored for local government and designed with the M.A.V.

2016 Jolynne Rydz: Performance and Engagement Officer with Whittlesea Council, who is studying a Masters of Strategic Organisational Development course at the University of New England .

2017 Michelle Richards: Fire Recovery Coordinator, Moorabool Shire Council, who is undertaking a Masters of Business Administration.

2018 Catherine Austin: Coordinator of Maternal & Child Health Immunisation Services, Corangamite Shire Council. Catherine began her Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in 2017 and her thesis is entitled The Victorian Universal Maternal & Child Health Service: an effective model of care built on best practice guidelines to engage Aboriginal families.

Two Special Commendation Awards were given this year. The first was to **Sharon Houlihan** of Wellington Shire Council. Sharon is studying part time towards a Master of Business Administration. The second commendation was to **April Ure**, Property Revenue Officer of Pyrenees Shire Council. April is studying for a Bachelor of Business through the University of South Australia.

2019 Adelle Mansour: Program Liaison – East Preston Community Centre, City of Darebin. Adelle is studying a Master of Public Health at University of Melbourne.

2020 Danielle Pepyat: Coordinator Local Laws, Maroondah City Council. Danielle is studying a Bachelor of Laws.