



CBAA Conference 2026 Scholarship Terms & Conditions

1. Scholarship Inclusions

The CBAA Scholarship covers:

- Full conference registration, including access to workshops, panels, and catering (morning tea, afternoon tea, and lunch).
- A ticket to both the Welcome Drinks and the CBAA Community Broadcasting Awards Gala Dinner.
- Accommodation in Geelong for three nights (check-in: Thursday, 22 October 2026; check-out: Sunday, 24 October 2026).
- Flight costs up to a maximum of \$400.

2. Travel & Accommodation Arrangements

- Scholarship recipients are responsible for booking their own flights and will be reimbursed up to \$400 upon providing valid receipts.
- Travel insurance is not covered by the scholarship, and recipients are encouraged to arrange their own.
- Accommodation is booked by CBAA. Recipients will be provided with a private room unless otherwise specified.
- Any additional nights outside the scholarship period must be booked and paid for by the recipient.
- Guests are not permitted to stay in the funded accommodation unless arranged and paid for separately by the recipient.
- Recipients are responsible for any incidental hotel charges (e.g., minibar, room service, damages).

3. Conference Participation Requirements

- Scholarship recipients must attend all three days of the conference and are expected to actively participate in sessions.
- Recipients may be asked to attend networking events or media opportunities to represent their station and the scholarship program.
- If a recipient is unable to attend a session due to unforeseen circumstances, they must inform CBAA staff.

4. Additional Costs & Responsibilities

- Recipients are responsible for any costs beyond the scholarship and \$400 flight allowance, including:
 - Flight costs exceeding the allowance.
 - Transfers to and from the airport.
 - Meals outside of the conference catering.
 - Any personal expenses.



5. Code of Conduct & Behaviour Expectations

- All scholarship recipients must adhere to the [CBAA Code of Conduct](#).
- Any behaviour that is disruptive, discriminatory, or in violation of the code may result in forfeiture of the scholarship, removal from the conference, and/or reimbursement of scholarship funds to CBAA.

6. Cancellation & No-Show Policy

- If a recipient is unable to attend, they must notify CBAA at least 21 days before the conference to allow the scholarship to be reallocated.
- Recipients who cancel after this period may be required to reimburse non-refundable expenses incurred on their behalf.
- If a recipient does not attend the conference without prior notice, they may be ineligible for future CBAA scholarships.

7. Scholarship Eligibility

- Scholarships are available for up to five individuals, divided as follows:
 - Individuals in leadership positions at their stations.
 - Broadcasters, producers, or presenters.
- Preference will be given to applicants who meet one or more of the following criteria:
 - Are under the age of 26.
 - Identify as an underrepresented gender.
 - Are affiliated with a station in a regional, rural, or remote area.
 - Represent a station that did not attend the 2025 CBAA Conference, with their attendance likely to benefit their home station.

8. General Eligibility Requirements

To apply for the scholarship, applicants must:

- Be a board/committee member, employee, or volunteer at a community radio station that:
 - holds a temporary or permanent community radio license, and
 - is a CBAA member.
- Be an Australian citizen, permanent resident, or holder of a humanitarian visa.
- Have the approval of their station to attend. (Only one scholarship will be awarded per station.)

9. Post-Conference Obligations

- Scholarship recipients may be required to submit a testimonial or short reflection on their experience at the conference for promotional and funding purposes.
- Recipients may also be asked to participate in a post-event survey to help improve the scholarship program.