

2025 Glenn Daniel SmoothFM Scholarship

Guidelines

Applications open 19 June 2024 and close 10
November 2024



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Who can apply?

To be eligible to apply, you must:

- Have an interest in news and or journalism
- Be an applicant for a position in the Graduate Diploma in Radio and Podcasting course in 2025
- Be an Australian citizen or Australian permanent resident or a New Zealand citizen

Purpose

The Glenn Daniel SmoothFM Scholarship is in honour of the renowned radio journalist and podcast professional Glenn Daniel.

The purpose of this scholarship is to expand and enrich the school's student community by recognising and supporting an outstanding Graduate Diploma in Radio and Podcasting student, selected based on creative excellence from eligible students interested in news or journalism.

The scholarship is intended to support students by providing a contribution to a living allowance or towards relocation costs, study resources and other costs. One scholarship may be offered in 2025 to a Graduate Diploma in Radio and Podcasting student after consideration by the selection committee.

Application form

Scholarships will only be awarded to those who have been offered a place in the 2025 Graduate Diploma in

Radio and Podcasting, so it is important that you apply for the course as well as apply for the scholarship.

Complete the online scholarship application form and provide any documentation requested by the closing date.

All applications will be treated confidentially.

Application Dates

Applications open 19 June 2024 and close on 10 November 2024.

Dates are subject to change. Please check AFTRS website for updates.

Conditions

AFTRS may produce public communications in connection with the Scholarship. The Recipient will be asked to provide AFTRS with an irrevocable royalty free license to use and reproduce their image and story solely for the purposes of AFTRS internal and external communications.

The successful applicant must have accepted an offer in the 2025 Graduate Diploma in Radio & Podcasting course.

The Recipient cannot defer the commencement of the scholarship.

Application task

Please submit the following:

1. Produce and Record a Story

Record a one-minute news or current affairs story for a radio station or a podcast, on an issue you care about. The item can contain any creative audio elements (submit as an MP3).

All audio can be recorded on any device/s, including smart phones. We are assessing your ideas and how you tell the story, not the quality of the audio.

2. Written task (max. 1000 words) that addresses the following;
 - a. Why the issue you covered in Task 1 is important to you;
 - b. A critique of your favourite news program, station or source; and
 - c. Why you're interested in news and journalism.

What we're looking for

The selection panel will consider the applicant's creative excellence through their application tasks.

AFTRS, with a representative from the Daniel family or NOVA Entertainment, will determine which, if any, applicant will be awarded the scholarship.

If the selection panel finds that no applicant meets the eligibility criteria, the scholarship will not be awarded.

AFTRS' decision is final and no correspondence about decisions will be entered into.

Other information

In assessing your application, the selection committee may request you provide additional supporting documents to enable them to make a final decision. You will be contacted via email to request specified documents if required.

You will be notified by email whether your application is successful.

Assessment rubric

| Item Weighting/ Selection Criteria | 85-100 | 75-84 | 65-74 | 50-64 | 0-49 |
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| A: Audio task (50%) | There is evidence of compelling research, storytelling, and editorial judgement in the work presented. The content is highly engaging and thought provoking, and brings a unique perspective to the news landscape. | There is evidence of developing research, storytelling and editorial judgement in the work presented. There is a depth to the content and it engages the audience. | There is evidence of emerging research, storytelling and editorial judgement in the work presented. The content includes interesting ideas and engages the audience. | There is fundamental research, storytelling and editorial judgement in the work presented. The content has limited engagement and depth. | There is limited research, storytelling and editorial judgement in the work presented. The content is simplistic and derivative. |
| B: Written task a) and b) (30%) | The applicant articulates an insightful or underrepresented perspective. The critique demonstrates a nuanced view into an existing news source. | The applicant articulates an engaging perspective. The critique demonstrates a developing insight into an existing news source. | The applicant clearly articulates their perspective. The critique demonstrates an emerging insight into an existing news source. | The applicant is working toward expressing their perspective. The critique has limited insight and depth. | The applicant has not clearly articulated their perspective. The critique does not provide insight. |
| Written task c) (20%) | Demonstrated commitment to and interest in news and/or current affairs. | Developing commitment to and interest in news and/or current affairs. | Emerging commitment to and interest in news and/or current affairs. | Fundamental commitment to and interest in news and/or current affairs. | Limited engagement with news and/or current affairs. |

Further information

Payments

The scholarship is valued at \$10,000.

The scholarship is to be paid to one recipient following the applicable census date/s. Payments will be made each semester, pro rata according to study load.

Payments are conditional on the Recipient remaining enrolled, in good academic standing, and continuing to meet the eligibility criteria, and maintain the standards set out in the Student Handbook and AFTRS Code of Conduct.

Certification of documents

Any documents you provide as support material must be certified copies. AFTRS' certification requirements are available at:

www.aftrs.edu.au/students/future-students/how-to-apply/

Translation of documents

If supporting documents are not in English, applicants are required to supply certified copies of the following:

- The document in the original language; and
- An English translation of the document by an accredited translator. Do not send original supporting documents.

Additional information - notes on submission of materials

- Do not exceed the total maximum word count – additional materials will not be reviewed.
- You do not have to complete your application in one sitting. Save your application and log back in at any time prior to the closing date to pick up where you left off.
- File names should be clear and descriptive and only include alphanumeric characters (not symbols).
- Do not include your contact details in any documents.
- You are not permitted to submit any work that has been created in part or whole by a generative AI tool such as ChatGPT and claim it as your own. If you are using any work that is not yours it must be referenced – this is essential to ethical creative practice and academic integrity. Failure to reference is also considered plagiarism.

Learn more

If you haven't found the information you need,
or need support with your application, contact
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