



# 49th Annual OCIES Conference Scholarship Awards

1-3 December 2021

The Oceania Comparative and International Education Society (OCIES) has as part of its mandate the goal of furthering and promoting comparative and international education scholarship within the region. A core component of this is supporting new and emerging scholars to share and disseminate their work. We are pleased to announce that applications are now open for **Scholarship Awards** for our **49th Annual OCIES Conference, 1-3rd December 2021**, convened in hybrid format (online and face to face options) jointly by the Fiji National University, University of Melbourne (in collaboration with Monash University) and University of Waikato.

This year we will have up to five Emerging Scholar Awards for postgraduate students (research masters or PhD) and up to five Excellence in Research Awards for experienced scholars. Given the hybrid format of the conference, we have made some changes to this year's awards. The funds provided through the Awards are intended to be used by recipients for any research or academic-related costs; the funds do not have to be used on costs associated with OCIES conference attendance. Scholarship awardees will be honoured at the conference and Annual General meeting and featured as part of our first 2022 Newsletter. Successful applicants will each receive **AUD \$250**. In addition, Emerging Scholars will be assigned a mentor to assist them to convert the conference paper into a manuscript for submission to our flagship journal the **International Education Journal: Comparative Perspectives (IEJ: CP)**.

## SELECTION CRITERIA

Applicants must be a **current member** of OCIES at the time of application and must have an **abstract accepted** by the Conference organising committee for presentation.

Applications will be assessed based on the following criteria:

- The quality of the Abstract and its embodiment of the vision of OCIES
- The current and future potential of the applicant to contribute to comparative and international education scholarship and to the broader aims of OCIES
- Gender balance and representativeness of OCIES membership in terms of geographic location etc. will also be considered.

Applicants will be notified by **1 November** of the outcome of the selection process.

To apply: Submit a conference abstract via the online link <https://ocies.org/2021-conference/>

Send the following information in an email to [scholarship@ocies.org](mailto:scholarship@ocies.org) with the subject line **OCIES Emerging Scholars Award application** or **OCIES Excellence in Research Award**. **The deadline for submission of scholarship application has been extended to 25 Oct.**

- A **cover letter** including your name, current organisation affiliation, and a brief explanation as to why you are applying for the Award, what you believe you will/have gain/ed from the experience of OCIES, and your vision for your future engagement with OCIES
- A copy of your submitted **conference abstract**
- For Emerging Scholars: A **letter of recommendation** from a supervisor who can attest to your current and future potential to contribute to comparative and international education scholarship in the region and evidence of current enrolment as a research masters/PhD student or as someone who has completed a qualification in the past three years.
- For Excellence in Research: A **letter of recommendation** from a colleague or supervisor who can attest to your current and future potential to contribute to comparative and international education scholarship in the region.