



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS – 2016 TOUR

Q) What are the Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholarships?

A) The Scholarships gives around 20 students each year the opportunity to travel overseas to one or more of the sites traditionally associated with the Anzac story in the 20th Century. Where possible, the scholarship tour will include participation in Anzac Day, Remembrance Day or other significant commemoration ceremonies. Each tour will be accompanied by NSW teachers and a tour military historian.

Q) I am in Year 10. Am I eligible to apply?

A) Yes, to be eligible for a Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholarship you must be enrolled in Year 9 or 10 in 2015 at a NSW government or non-government secondary school or college. You must be studying history and intend to continue studying history in your senior years. You must also be an Australian citizen or a permanent resident of Australia.

Q) How will I be kept informed of the progress of my application?

A) Applicants will be sent an acknowledgement of receipt via email when the nomination has reached Veterans' Affairs, Department of Premier and Cabinet. Applicants will be informed of the final outcome of the process after the Premier has endorsed the recommendations of the selection panel.

Q) How are recipients of the Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholarships selected?

A) Selection processes take place at school and state levels. Your Principal will select one outstanding student and forward their application to Veterans' Affairs, Department of Premier and Cabinet at premierscholarship@dpc.nsw.gov.au. These applications are then forwarded to the State Selection Panel, which considers all applications and makes recommendations of up to 20 scholarship recipients to the Premier. The State Selection Panel includes representatives from the NSW RSL, Department of Education and Veterans' Affairs, Department of Premier and Cabinet.

Q) How are the accompanying teachers selected?

A) Teachers can lodge an Expression of Interest with Veterans' Affairs, Department of Premier and Cabinet, by the closing date **11 December 2015**. The State Selection Panel will recommend two teachers to the Premier. Two reserves will also be recommended.

Q) How many Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholarships will be awarded?

A) The State Selection Panel will recommend up to 20 students to the Premier for a scholarship. There will also be reserve recipients. The Premier may decide to offer scholarships to all recommended applicants, or to recommend some applicants and some reserves, or may offer scholarships to fewer than 20 applicants.

Q) Where are the study tours going in 2016 and for how long?

A) In July 2016 the tour will visit sites on the Western Front, in France and Belgium, that are significant to Australia's military history, and that coincide with memorial ceremonies. The tour will be around 12 days duration.

Q) What does the scholarship provide?

A) The scholarship covers the costs of airfares, transfers, travel insurance, accommodation and meals for the study tour, a tour uniform and luggage transport. All personal items are provided by the scholars.

Q) What will I do if a problem arises on the tour, or if I am anxious or homesick?

A) The role of the accompanying teachers is to support you during the study tour. If you have any problems, or if you are homesick or distressed, the teachers are your first point of contact. They are experienced in helping students on extended excursions and they will know what to do.

Q) Where do I send the completed application form?

A) Students should submit their application form to their school or college principal by **30 November 2015**. Your Principal will select one outstanding application to submit to premierscholarship@dpc.nsw.gov.au by **11 December 2015**.

Q) Where can I get assistance or more information about the 2016 Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholarships?

A) There is information about the scholarship on the Veterans Affairs' website: veterans.nsw.gov.au by following the link from the education tab.

The Scholarship Officer, Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholarship, can answer further questions about the award. The Scholarship Officer can be contacted by:

- telephone: (02) 9228 4710
- email: premierscholarship@dpc.nsw.gov.au

