

# Minister's Planning Awards 2022

## Guidelines



# The Minister's Planning Award (thesis/research)

## Background

The Minister's Planning Award, in one form or another, has been presented each year since 1989. The award is presented to a Queensland university student whose thesis, masters, or major final year research project is considered to be innovative, practical, original and contributes significantly to the creation of well-planned communities that are prosperous, resilient and sustainable.

This award is open to undergraduate, post-graduate and masters planning students.

Students from the following universities can nominate themselves for this award, or universities can nominate students: The University of Queensland, Queensland University of Technology, Griffith University, James Cook University, the University of Southern Queensland, Bond university, and the University of the Sunshine Coast.

## Award

One overall award is presented to an outstanding student with one highly commended runner up also recognised.

The winner will be someone whose thesis or major final year research project is considered to contribute significantly to the creation of well-planned communities that are prosperous, resilient and sustainable. This could be projects which:

- help deliver healthier, safer and more inclusive communities
- enable more transparency in Queensland's planning framework
- encourage more community participation in Queensland's planning framework.

The award is intended to publicly recognise innovative and practical approaches to real problems. The winner will receive a \$2000 cash prize. The winner may be included in a media statement and/or photograph with the Minister as well as Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (the department) social media opportunities.

The name of the prize-winning nominee and university they attend may be published. However, no additional personal information will be given out without the prior consent of the prize-winning nominee.

The award will be presented during the annual Planning Institute of Australia 2022 Queensland Awards for Planning Excellence, to be held in November 2022.

# The Minister's Planning Award (thesis/research)

## Assessment criteria

Weighted Criteria	Weighting
<b>Addressing a contemporary planning problem or opportunity:</b> The subject matter should be innovative and address a potential response to a contemporary planning problem or opportunity to ensure communities are well-planned, prosperous, resilient and sustainable.	60%
<b>Practicality:</b> The thesis or project illustrates how it can be implemented or research can be used to ensure delivery of communities that are prosperous, resilient and sustainable. It should be practical to the work of planning practitioners.	20%
<b>Readability:</b> The argument is presented logically and clearly, assessed from the point of view of a planning practitioner.	20%

Mandatory Criteria
<b>Original work:</b> The thesis or project is the student's original work, except for any permitted third-party material, and has not been published elsewhere.
<b>Permitted third-party material:</b> The thesis or study does not include any third-party material unless it is appropriately used, acknowledged and referenced in accordance with standard academic practice and copyright law.

## Entries

Each university is invited to nominate up to three entries that meet the above criteria.

Any student at one of the eligible universities may nominate their own entry if they consider it meets the above criteria.

Prior to applying, each student nominating themselves and each student nominated by a university must read this guideline and the department's privacy and security statement.

Please complete the online nomination form and upload the relevant documentation in PDF format. If you do not wish to submit your entry online, download a word form and email with your documents to [planningcomms@dsdilgp.qld.gov.au](mailto:planningcomms@dsdilgp.qld.gov.au).

Entries must be received by **5pm on Friday 30 September 2022**.

# Female Student in Planning Award (university nomination)

## Background

The Female Student in Planning Award will be presented to one female university undergraduate (second, third or fourth year) recognised as being an outstanding student.

The Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning invites universities to nominate up to three students for consideration.

The following universities can nominate students for this award: The University of Queensland, Queensland University of Technology, Griffith University, James Cook University, Bond University, the University of Southern Queensland, and the University of the Sunshine Coast.

**The award is only open to university nomination. Students may not nominate themselves for this award.**

## Award

One award will be presented to a female student who meets the criteria outlined below.

The winner will be chosen based on a rationale (750 words maximum) submitted by their university that addresses the assessment criteria.

The winner will be offered a four-week paid internship with the department, subject to the department's standard engagement conditions and criteria.

The award is intended to:

- encourage and champion women into the profession with the aim to ultimately take leadership positions and increase the number of women in planning
- give students the opportunity to develop an understanding of the state's role and contribution to planning early in their career
- strengthen links between universities and the department.

The name of the prize-winning nominee and university they attend may be published. However, no additional personal information will be given out without the prior consent of the prize-winning nominee.

The award will be presented during the annual Planning Institute of Australia 2022 Queensland Awards for Planning Excellence, to be held in November 2022.

# Female Student in Planning Award (university nomination)

## Assessment criteria

This award will be given to a female student who displays one or more of the following characteristics:

Criteria
Outstanding results in the study of planning at undergraduate level during the current academic year (2022).
Involved in a planning student association that is enhancing the experience of planning students at the university.
Overcome personal hardship or adversity to achieve excellence in academic studies.
Shows promise of high achievement in the planning field.

## Entries

Each university is invited to nominate up to three students who meet one or all of the above criteria.

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# Indigenous Student in Planning Award (university nomination)

## Background

The Indigenous Student in Planning Award will be presented to one Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander university undergraduate (second, third or fourth year) recognised as being an outstanding student.

The Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning invites universities to nominate up to three students for consideration.

The following universities can nominate students for this award: The University of Queensland, Queensland University of Technology, Griffith University, James Cook University, Bond University, the University of Southern Queensland, and the University of the Sunshine Coast.

**The award is only open to university nomination. Students may not nominate themselves for this award.**

## Award

One award will be presented to an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander student who meets the criteria outlined below.

The winner will be chosen based on a rationale (750 words maximum) submitted by their university that addresses the assessment criteria.

The winner will be offered a four-week paid internship with the department, subject to the department's standard engagement conditions and criteria.

The award is intended to:

- encourage and champion Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander into the profession with the aim to ultimately take leadership positions and increase the number of First Nations peoples in planning
- give students the opportunity to develop an understanding of the state's role and contribution to planning early in their career
- strengthen links between universities and the department.

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# Indigenous Student in Planning Award (university nomination)

## Assessment criteria

This award will be given to an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander student who displays one or more of the following characteristics:

Criteria
Outstanding results in the study of planning at undergraduate level during the current academic year (2022).
Involved in a planning student association that is enhancing the experience of planning students at the university.
Overcome personal hardship or adversity to achieve excellence in academic studies.
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