

ALLIANCE OF  
GIRLS SCHOOLS  
AUSTRALASIA



## 2017 STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN AUSTRALIA

*"This conference made me more determined than ever before to make positive change in my school and in the greater community."*

*"Everyone was so accepting of who I was, and it was refreshing to be in a place where I wasn't just known by my ethnicity or my height." - SLC 2016 participants*

Every year NCGS has the pleasure of offering to two girls from NCGS member schools the opportunity to travel to Australia to attend the [Student Leadership Conference](#) (SLC) organized by our affiliate: *The Alliance of Girls' Schools Australasia*.

Two students in their 11th grade year are invited to attend the **Student Leadership Conference at Bond University on the Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia, January 4 – 7, 2017**. The two selected NCGS representatives will be joining 165 other student delegates from a mix of *Alliance* schools in Australia, New Zealand, UK, and Asia. The girls selected should be independent and confident young women who will be excellent representatives of their school and of NCGS.

### ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The Student Leadership Conference is a fabulous opportunity to learn, interact, and grow in awareness of both self and others, and as both a leader and a team player. The conference provides unparalleled opportunities for girls to explore leadership styles and strategies, reflect on their own leadership aspirations, and build meaningful life-long connections. The girls are engaged in a range of activities designed to develop leadership capabilities, resilience and an understanding of themselves and their leadership styles.

Girls will be accommodated on campus at Bond University and the majority of conference activities will take place at Bond.

All student delegates to the Leadership Conference are encouraged to share their experience with others at their school upon their return and to apply the leadership skills that they learned. The NCGS delegates will be asked to submit a written summary of their experience (along with a few photos!) that we can publish on our website.

## **COST**

The cost associated with attendance will comprise of travel to and from the conference in Australia and incidental expenses. NCGS is pleased to offer a \$1000 (USD) travel scholarship to each of the two selected students. Accommodations, meals, and conference fees will be covered by the Alliance of Girls' Schools Australasia. All remaining travel and other costs are the responsibility of the participating schools/students.

## **NEXT STEPS**

Have the nominated student complete and return the application form to NCGS. **Both the application and a school recommendation need to be received by October 14, 2016.**

Applicants to the Conference will be considered by our Review Committee and **candidates will be notified by email no later than October 28, 2016.**

We hope you/your students will take advantage of this tremendous opportunity. If we can give you more information on either the Conference or the application/review process, please be in touch!

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**STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
JANUARY 4 – 7, 2017  
Bond University, Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia**

**The Selection Process:**

Students in **11<sup>th</sup> grade** are eligible to apply provided they have a satisfactory school record. **Each school may nominate only one potential Student Ambassador.**

We are looking for positive, independent, flexible and confident young women who will make excellent representatives of their school and of NCGS and will be able to contribute to and participate in all aspects of the program. Applicants will need to have well-developed oral and written communication skills, excellent interpersonal skills, demonstrated intellectual depth and be active and effective members of their school community.

**The Application Process:**

1. Each candidate must have a recommendation from her School. This can be sent directly to NCGS and does not need to accompany the student's application. Send electronically to Paige Rannigan at [prannigan@ncgs.org](mailto:prannigan@ncgs.org).
2. We ask that students write a one-page essay that explains why she feels the experience would be valuable, what she might be able to offer the conference, and what she hopes to bring back to her school.
3. Both the recommendation form and the application must be received by Friday, October 14, 2016. The selected candidates will be notified no later than October 28, 2016.

## STUDENT APPLICATION FOR GIRLS' LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

JANUARY 4 – 7, 2017

Bond University, Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Please respond to the following questions (in addition to your essay). This application form and your essay can be emailed to [prannigan@ncgs.org](mailto:prannigan@ncgs.org). Please include the subject line "Student Leadership Conference – Australia 2017." Your application will be complete when we receive your school's recommendation, this application form, your essay, and responses the questions below.*

1. What is your school leadership experience?
2. What are your extracurricular involvements?
3. What are your community service activities/involvement?
4. Other thoughts/activities to share?

**Please submit this application, responses to the above questions, your essay, and your school's recommendation no later than October 14, 2016.**