

Southern Hemisphere Space Studies Program 2026 Sir Ross & Sir Keith Smith Fund Sponsorship

Application Form

The Sir Ross & Sir Keith Smith Fund is proudly offering four full scholarships to selected recipients to undertake the Southern Hemisphere Space Studies Program (SHSSP) in 2026.

These scholarships will support SHSSP26 participants who are Australian residents and meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Undergraduate students who are currently in the final two years of their undergraduate degree within the field of aviation or/and aeronautics or/and engineering who demonstrates strong interest in pursuing a career within aeronautics in South Australia; *or/and*
- Graduate Researchers currently pursuing a postgraduate degree (Master's or Doctoral) in aviation or/and aeronautics (*or/and engineering who demonstrates strong interest in pursuing a career within aeronautics*) in South Australia; *or/and*
- Current and future participants in the industry within the South Australian aviation or/and aeronautics sector; *or/and*
- Able to demonstrate financial need and currently meet the entry criteria of the Southern Hemisphere Space Studies Program; *or/and*
- Committed to continue to work in South Australia or seek employment in South Australia;

*While applications are welcome from all states, preference will be given to applicants based in South Australia.

Applicants are required to submit this scholarship application form along with their program application requirements to <https://www.isunet.edu/apply-shssp/> before 30 October 2025.

Shortlisted candidates may be invited to attend a 15-30 minutes interview with the Trustee or/and Advisory Committee of the Smith Fund.

Applicant information
Full name:
Phone number:
Email address:

Address	
State:	Postcode:
Industry you are currently working or engaged in: i.e. Place of Work/Study/Other:	
Current employer, field of study / research	
Education and/or Qualifications:	
Place of residence:	

Scholarship criteria and conditions		
You agree to engage fully in the program through full attendance, engagement, and completion of the program, including the Mawson Lakes residential and social activity components of the program.	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>
You are available and can attend the program in full and in-person from 12 January to 6 February 2025.	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>
You will provide a 250 – 500 word report on program experience to the funding body (The Sir Ross & Sir Keith Smith Fund) within one month of completing SHSSP26. This will be submitted to the Course Coordinator via SmartyGrant.	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>
You agree to be contacted by The Sir Ross & Sir Keith Smith Fund to contribute to communication activities relating to your experience, including but not limited to interviews, testimonials, media releases, social media posts and news stories. This contact may occur up to 12 months following the program.	Y <input type="checkbox"/>	N <input type="checkbox"/>

Applicant statement (250 words)
<p>In 250 words (maximum), please describe:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Your current interest and involvement in the space sector 2. Why you have chosen to apply for this scholarship 3. Your interest in pursuing a career in the South Australian space sector 4. The outcomes you hope to achieve by participating in the SHSSP26
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Applicant Declaration	
<p>I declare that the information I have supplied is true and complete.</p> <p>I acknowledge that should this information be found to be incorrect, any scholarship awarded to me may be withdrawn.</p> <p>I authorise the University of South Australia to disclose all information contained within my application to the donors of this scholarship (Sir Ross and Sir Keith Smith Fund) for the purposes of assessing the application and records keeping.</p>	
Signature:	Date: