



**Australia and New Zealand
Chapter**



2010 Australia and New Zealand Chapter Student Award

**to attend Special Libraries Association (SLA) Conference
in New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, 13 – 16 June 2010**

In 2010 the SLA Australia and New Zealand Chapter (CANZ) will be offering an Award jointly with Science-Technology Division (DST) of SLA.

The successful applicant will receive an award of US\$2,300 to be used towards a travel stipend and conference registration for the 2010 SLA Annual Conference in New Orleans. The award will be formally at the Science -Technology Division's Awards Ceremony at that Conference.

Eligibility:

Applicants must:

- Be enrolled in an accredited Library and Information Science (LIS) courses and programs in Australia or New Zealand during the current academic year. These courses are noted on the websites of either:
ALIA www.alia.org.au/education/courses/librarianship.html
or LIANZA www.lianza.org.nz/news/newsroom/news125381905.html .
- Be eligible to travel to the USA
- Be interested in a career in special librarianship, preferably with a focus on working in a science and technology environment.
- Be a first-time attendee at an SLA conference

Application Procedure

1. Please write a two-part essay, in English, of a total of approximately 500 words, which:

- i. Tells us why you chose to enrol in a graduate/master LIS course; what you hope to do with your degree; and especially why you might wish to work in the science and technology area, and
- ii. Addresses **one** of the following three topics:
 - What skills must the new information professional possess and why?
 - What is the biggest challenge facing the profession, in general, and information professionals in your country, in particular?
 - What longer term benefits/knowledge do you hope to gain from attending the 2010 SLA conference? (Do not describe what you will do during the conference).

2. Include a letter of recommendation, from your course advisor or an SLA member who knows you well, which explains why you would be a good candidate for this award.
3. Include a copy of your CV including your postal, and email addresses and telephone number.
4. Prepare all documents in Microsoft Word and send by e-mail no later than **31 December 2009** to:
Sheila Rosenthal, Chair of the DST Awards Committee at slr@sei.cmu.edu
5. The applications will then be assessed by the joint DST and ANZ Chapter Student Awards Committees.

The Award winner will be notified by March 2010.

Post Award Requirements

The recipient of the 2010 ANZ Chapter Student Award will:

1. write a brief article on their conference experience for publication in the September / October 2010 issue of the Science-Technology Division's newsletter, *Sci-Tech News*, and for the SLA Australia and New Zealand Chapter's website
2. maintain contact with the SLA Australia and New Zealand Chapter Board during the year of their Award.
3. serve on a Science-Technology Division Committee of their choice.

Mentors will be appointed for the recipient from ANZ Chapter Board and the STD for the duration of the award.

For further information about the Award, please contact the ANZ Chapter Student Award member, Gillian Ralph g.ralph@xtra.co.nz

For further information about the Award's co-sponsors, please consult their websites:

- SLA Science-Technology Division, <http://units.sla.org/division/dst/>
- SLA Australia and New Zealand Chapter <http://units.sla.org/chapter/canz/>
- Annual Reviews <http://www.annualreviews.org/>



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