



# BACK IN THE WORKFORCE BURSARY

Continuing professional development (CPD) is important for engineers to maintain the highest standards of practice, competence and professionalism.

To be registered as a RPEQ, engineers are required to complete a minimum of 150 hours of CPD over three years.

The Board of Professional Engineers of Queensland (BPEQ) has established a bursary to assist women in engineering meet the costs of CPD, allowing them to regain their RPEQ status and return to the workforce following a career break or to assist them keep their RPEQ status. Under the Back in the Workforce Bursary, engineers can receive a one-off amount of up to \$500 to go towards the costs of structured CPD.

## BURSARY APPLICATION CRITERIA

**Applicants must satisfy the following criteria to apply for the bursary:**

- a. Be a female RPEQ, RPEQ non-practising or former RPEQ living in the State of Queensland.
- b. Plan to undertake structured CPD relevant to engineering with the intention of regaining RPEQ status and returning to the workforce following a career break, or to stay registered.
- c. Be an Australian citizen or a Permanent Resident of Australia.

## LODGING APPLICATION FOR BURSARY

**Applicants must submit the following information to BPEQ:**

1. Completed application form (overside);
2. Current Curriculum Vitae;
3. Cover letter up to two pages, detailing proposed structured CPD and cost, and how the proposed structured CPD will assist them attain the necessary CPD points.

## APPROVAL AND RECEIPT OF BURSARY

BPEQ will consider all bursary applications and advise applicants of the outcome in writing.

Successful applicants are expected to make arrangements to attend the approved structured CPD themselves and pay the upfront costs.

After completing the structured CPD, successful applicants are to provide a payment receipt to BPEQ.

Applications should be lodged well in advance of the proposed structured CPD and may not be made retrospectively.

Applicants are expected to have completed their nominated structured CPD within six months of having their application approved.

Engineers can only successfully apply and receive the bursary once. An applicant who has previously applied for and received the bursary will be rejected.



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# APPLICATION FORM

Title:

Given names:

Family name:

Residential address:

Postal address (if different from above):

Home phone:

Mobile:

Email address:

Citizenship/Residency status:

Cover letter/CV:

*Please include your current Curriculum Vitae and a cover letter up to two pages, with your application.*

Curriculum Vitae

Cover letter

Talent release approval:

*If successful, do you consent to BPEQ producing and distributing material with your name, likeness and biographical information connected with the bursary application for publicity and promotional purposes?*

YES

NO

Signed:

Date:

For more information or to submit your application, email [admin@bpeq.qld.gov.au](mailto:admin@bpeq.qld.gov.au)  
(or by post to PO Box 51213 City East 4000)