



ANZFSS-SA BRANCH PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AWARD

Rationale: During the period between ANZFSS Symposiums, the ANZFSS SA branch offers funding of up to \$5000 for one member to engage in some form of professional development. Whilst an award was made in May 2026 for a conference in 2026, the committee has decided to offer a second award for a conference to be held during 2027

As the field of Forensic Science is wide and varied, the award is open to submissions from a variety of applicants. It is in the applicants' interest to provide specificity in responses to enable the judging panel to assess the relative merit of the application.

The award is available to all SA Branch members including practitioners, academics, students and general members. The branch encourages all members to apply. Applications will be judged on a variety of factors including the benefits of the proposed activity to the member, the branch and the wider the community. Past and present contributions of the applicant to the society will also be considered in judging the award.

Please complete the following form and submit to the ANZFSS SA Branch: sabbranch@anzfss.org by Saturday 31 October 2026 (11:59 PM, South Australia time).

The judging panel will respond before the end of November to allow the successful recipient to plan for their professional development. In the event the judging panel deems no application is of sufficient merit, then no award will be awarded.

It is an expectation that the successful applicant will give a presentation on their activity to the ANZFSS SA branch if requested.

The successful applicant will be unable to reapply for the award in the 4 years following the closing date of the successful application.



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In addition to the information specified below, the applicant should attach a CV of up to 3 pages which details their current position, previous positions and relevant qualifications. The CV should include details of the duties undertaken in these positions and any other information which may be relevant to the application.

If you have any questions relating to this application, please contact sabranch@anzfss.org.

Name:

**Q1. Please provide details of the proposed professional development programme.
(max. 200 words)**

Q2. Please outline how the proposed program will contribute to your professional development. (max. 300 words)

Q3. What timelines would you propose for the activities? (max. 100 words)

Q4. Please outline the costs associated with the professional development opportunity (noting an award of up to \$5000 is available and the amount awarded will be at the discretion of the committee).

Figures to be approximate only. Further budget details may be requested from the recipient as a condition of the award.

	Approximate cost (\$)
Registration fees	
Travel	
Accommodation	
Meals	
Incidentals	
Total	

Q5. Are there any other sources of funding that will be used to contribute to the proposed professional development? (max. 50 words)

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Q6. What benefits will be provided to ANZFSS and the wider community as a result of this professional development activity being undertaken? (max. 100 words)

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Q7. How long have you been a member of ANZFSS?

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Q8. Outline your activity and engagement with ANZFSS (for example number of meetings attended, symposia attended, presentations given, committee service etc). (max. 100 words)

By submitting this application I am declaring the following:

- 1) If selected for this award, I am able to undertake the professional development activity outlined.*
- 2) I am prepared to present a report on this trip during an ANZFSS SA meeting and provide information for use on the ANZFSS website and related social media.*
- 3) The application has been prepared by myself and has not used any artificial intelligence in its preparation (including the attached CV).*
- 4) I understand that if successful, I will receive an agreed amount to undertake the professional development activity. Any excess expenditure above this amount is the responsibility of the recipient. If the activity involves travel, travel insurance is the responsibility of the recipient.*
- 5) I understand that if successful, I will be unable to reapply for the award in the 4 years following my successful application.*

This form should be signed by the individual and emailed to sabranh@anzfss.org (noting that simply typing your name is not sufficient). A CV of up to 3 pages should also be attached.

Signature:

Date: