

Brian Foreman Scholarship Application 2016

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Position: Sessional Academic Deakin University
EEV VCE Environmental Science Support
PhD Candidate – Middle Years Environmental Education

Benefits to EE career

As an Environmental Educator I am privileged to work in an industry that is committed making changes in a variety of forums. In my day-to-day work I come into contact with academics in the field as well as classroom teachers. There is a natural synergy between the work I do with Deakin University and the work I do with Environmental Education Victoria, as it affords me the ability to see theory and practice combine.

This combination inspired me to embark on a PhD looking at Environmental Education and its effects in middle years education within Victoria. Taking part in this year's conference will give me the opportunity to make further links with a community of practice on a national level. By attending the conference and taking part in the conversations that naturally flow at such events will provide richness to my professional development.

This years conference title, 'Tomorrow Making', generates excitement when I consider the broader implications for my own philosophies as an Environmental Educator. Building connections and taking part in knowledge creation whilst engaged with the conference material ensures my professional capacity to partake in 'tomorrow making' has the chance to be cemented.

Budget

Conference registration and dinner: \$883