



**AAA/AIMA Conference 2025**  
**Subsidy Scheme for Indigenous, Student and Carer Delegates**

**Are subsidies available to attend the Conference?**

The AAA/AIMA 2025 Joint Conference will offer a limited number of subsidies to support Indigenous and student-member delegates, and those with caregiver responsibilities. This initiative aims to encourage greater levels of Indigenous and student participation in the conference and to support the participation of delegates with carer responsibilities.

Funds are available to offset the expenses associated with registration, travel and accommodation. Additionally, delegates with caregiving responsibilities may seek financial assistance to cover the costs of engaging an adult (who is not registered for the conference) to aid with caregiving tasks. This provision is intended to enable delegates to fully engage with and benefit from the comprehensive conference experience.

**How much can I apply for?**

The amount of funding available varies each year and is determined by the overall conference budget and the level of sponsorship received.

For 2025, the maximum travel stipend will be based on the straight-line distance from Fremantle, WA, using the applicants usual place of residence.

Delegate Category	Registration Fee	Travel Stipend	Total Subsidy Amount
Indigenous Delegate	\$300	\$200^ - \$650*	\$500^ - \$950*
Student Delegate	\$300	\$200^ - \$650*	\$500^ - \$950*
Carer		\$200^ - \$650*	\$200^ - \$650*

- ^ Minimum funding available \* Maximum funding available based on distance from registered postcode to conference venue
- ➡ For Indigenous and student delegates, the cost of registration is covered as part of the full subsidy. Please do not register for the conference until you have received the application outcome.
  - ➡ A subsidy of up to \$650 is available to offset the cost of flights and accommodation for a support person accompanying delegates who have carer responsibilities. Delegates with these responsibilities are required to cover their own expenses for registration, flights and accommodation.



### What conditions apply to applications?

- ➡ To be eligible for a subsidy, applicants must be named on a paper, poster, or session to be presented at the conference or be otherwise engaged in conference activities.
- ➡ A subsidy should not be applied for in the place of other funding sources available to you for professional development or conference attendance in your community, workplace or university.
- ➡ Student applicants should be current financial members of AAA or AIMA, be FTE75 and must provide evidence of current university enrolment at the time of application.
- ➡ For the first time, those members who have finished their studies within six months of time of application may apply.
- ➡ Non-Indigenous delegates can apply on behalf of Indigenous delegates.
- ➡ Delegates can apply for only one of the three categories.

### When can I apply, how will my application be assessed and when will I find out the outcome?

The deadline for applications is **18 July 2025** – no late applications will be considered. Applications for subsidies will be considered by the conference committee at a special meeting and the outcomes advised by **25 July 2025**.

In the evaluation of applications for financial support, the following criteria will be considered:

- ➡ The nature of your engagement at the conference, such as presenting a paper.
- ➡ The potential advantages that your community or workplace stands to gain through your participation in the conference.

For student and carer recipients, reimbursements will be made by direct bank transfer on 27 November 2025. This will be done if reasonable evidence is provided to show that accommodation or travel payments have already been made by the delegate. Indigenous delegates will be reimbursed in cash at the conference by the Conference Manager, unless requested otherwise.

**Student and Indigenous delegates are requested to NOT register for the conference until an outcome is advised.**

### How do I apply?

Applications must be submitted online. Applications submitted via email will not be accepted and therefore not assessed.

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