

ECCQ Scholarship 1: the Cleo Xynias Multicultural Woman of the Year Scholarship



About the Scholarship: Cleo Xynias is well known as the wife of Nick Xynias AO BEM, a co-founder of ECCQ in 1976. Cleo dedicated her life to ensuring the advancement of multicultural Australians through her support and dedication to her family and community. Today, Cleo is kept busy with family and her beloved grandchildren. However, she still maintains a keen interest in all matters multicultural.

Cleo designed the criteria for the scholarship. It strongly reflects the contribution of women who identify as culturally and linguistically diverse who are committed to making a difference to improving the lives of others from similar backgrounds.

The scholarship winner should demonstrate a commitment to the advancement of Queensland's multicultural communities and a commitment to the development of their own leadership role in these communities. The scholarship winner may identify as an emerging leader who is continuing to build these skills and their role.

In recognition of Cleo Xynias's role in the initial establishment of Berlasco, the scholarship winner will give back to the residents of Berlasco Residential Aged Care through 20 hours of volunteer work. This volunteer work can be in any form utilising their personal or professional skills or interests. The scholarship winner has one year to complete their volunteer work.

[Click here to apply for
Scholarship 1: Cleo
Xynias multicultural
woman of the year](#)



**Scan to
apply for
Scholarship 1**



ECCQ Scholarship 1: the Cleo Xynias Multicultural Woman of the Year Scholarship

Scholarship Prizes:

1. Cash prize

The scholarship winner will receive \$1,000 cash prize.

2. Education

The scholarship winner will receive a full tuition paid course valued up to \$2,950 from the [Australian Institute of Management \(AIM\)](#).

AIM's range of courses covers a significant breadth and depth of knowledge, including short courses, micro credentials and non accredited courses. AIM's courses are a combination of online and face to face (onsite or virtual) workshops. Explore [the AIM website](#) to learn more about their courses in leadership, strategy, business and communications.

The scholarship winner will have 1 year to complete the course.

3. Mentorship

The scholarship winner will receive a 6-month mentorship with a female professional relevant to their career path. The 6-month mentorship equates to 20 hours with the mentor.

Eligibility: To be eligible for the Cleo Xynias female leader scholarship, the applicant must meet the following criteria:

- bilingual or multilingual
- born in a country other than Australia (all visa types and current Australian citizens are eligible)
- must reside in Queensland
- be female

[Click here to apply for
Scholarship 1: Cleo Xynias
multicultural woman of the year](#)



**Scan to
apply for
Scholarship 1**

ECCQ Scholarship 1: the Cleo Xynias multicultural woman of the year scholarship

Application: The application for the Cleo Xynias multicultural woman of the year scholarship has four required questions. Please note the maximum word count and weighting of the question in the scholarship assessment.

The four application questions are:

1. Tell us about your role as a leader and why you identify as a leader
2. Tell us how your leadership role has advanced multicultural Queensland, or a local area in Queensland
3. Tell us how the scholarship prizes will support you in advancing your leadership skills and/or role
4. Tell us what form of volunteering you would do at Berlasco Residential Aged Care and how would this benefit the residents/facility?

Evidence:

Along with the application questions, the applicant must provide the following evidence by emailing scholarship@eccq.com.au:

- Evidence of migration status
- Evidence of residence in Queensland
- At least one, maximum of three, reference letters. The referee cannot be related to the applicant and must have known the applicant for at least 6 months.
- The letter/s should substantiate the following:
 - The applicant's leadership role within the multicultural community
 - The applicant's commitment to the advancement multicultural Queensland
 - The applicant's bilingualism or multilingualism
 - That the applicant identifies as culturally and/or linguistically diverse

**[Click here to apply for
Scholarship 1: Cleo Xynias
multicultural woman of the
year](#)**



**Scan to
apply for
Scholarship 1**