



For outstanding achievement  
*in literary writing*  
on an issue in women's health

Applications will open  
on **31 January 2019**  
for the **2019 Liam and  
Frankie Davison Award**

This \$1000\* award provides an  
exciting opportunity for students  
interested in medicine, science,  
health, sociology, politics or law.

Applications must submit an  
**original literary piece**  
(fiction or non-fiction) of  
**no more than 2000 words**

on any topic of interest in women's health  
(for example: an opinion piece on a social  
issue, a short story or a report).  
Past submissions have covered topics  
such as endometriosis, postpartum  
depression, abortion, gender inequality  
and polycystic ovarian syndrome.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Applications will be open to students in  
their final three years of secondary school

(Generally Years 10, 11 or 12 in Australia  
and Years 11, 12 or 13 in New Zealand).

APPLICATIONS CLOSE  
30 APRIL 2019

Full Terms and Conditions of Entry, the application form and information  
for applicants will be available on the website from 31 January 2019:  
[www.ranzcog.edu.au/about/foundation/Liam-and-Frankie-Davison-Award](http://www.ranzcog.edu.au/about/foundation/Liam-and-Frankie-Davison-Award)  
or contact the Foundation Coordinator t: +61 3 9417 1699 e: [lfaward@ranzcog.edu.au](mailto:lfaward@ranzcog.edu.au)

\*Up to two awards offered; winning entrant(s) will receive \$1000  
in AUD or NZD as applicable, based on country of residence.

VISIT WEBSITE



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## APPLICATION FORM

### 1. Entrant's Personal Details

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Residence (please ✓): ☐ AUSTRALIA ☐ NEW ZEALAND

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Year Level (please ✓): Australia: ☐ Yr 10 ☐ Yr 11 ☐ Yr 12 | New Zealand: ☐ Yr 11 ☐ Yr 12 ☐ Yr 13

Name and address of school currently attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Literary Piece: \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Entrant's Declaration

I hereby declare that I am an Australian or New Zealand resident and that I have read and understand the Terms and Conditions of Entry associated with the 2019 Liam and Frankie Davison Award and agree to abide by them.

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### 3. Consent of Parent/Legal Guardian (For Entrants Under 18)

The Entrant's parent/legal guardian must complete the following if the Entrant is under 18 years of age as at 30 April 2019.

I confirm that:

- I. I am the lawful parent/legal guardian of (Insert Entrant's full name and Date of Birth): \_\_\_\_\_;
- II. they have my consent to enter the 2019 Liam and Frankie Davison Award;
- III. I have read and understand the Terms and Conditions of Entry and acknowledge that I and the Entrant will be bound by these; and
- IV. the Entrant is an Australian or New Zealand resident.

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### 4. Acknowledgement of School/Educational Body

This section should be completed by the head of year level, or the Principal or Deputy Principal of the school currently attended, or other appropriate representative of the body responsible for the Entrant's education:

I confirm that the above Entrant is a student in Year 10, 11 or 12 in Australia, or Years 11, 12 or 13 in New Zealand.

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position Held: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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## TERMS & CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

### ELIGIBILITY, APPLICATION & SUBMISSION DETAILS

1. Entry is open to students resident in either Australia or New Zealand, who are in their final three years of secondary school (generally Years 10, 11 or 12 in Australia and Years 11, 12 or 13 in New Zealand).
2. To be considered for the award, Entrants must submit electronically to [lfaward@ranzcof.edu.au](mailto:lfaward@ranzcof.edu.au):
  - a. a completed application form, printed and signed as required and submitted in PDF or JPEG format; and
  - b. a literary piece on any topic of interest in Women's Health which must:
    - i. be of 2000 words or less, typewritten in English and submitted in MS Word (or compatible) format
    - ii. be the original work of the Entrant and have been written by only the Entrant (single-authored),
    - iii. not have been previously published or awarded, and
    - iv. not be entered into any other publication or award for the duration of this competition.
3. Only one entry will be accepted per Entrant.
4. Entrants under the age of 18 as at 30 April 2019 must obtain the consent of a parent/legal guardian.
5. Members of the immediate family or household of Award Committee members are not eligible to enter.

### CLOSING DATE & JUDGING OF SUBMISSIONS

6. The closing date for entries is 5.00pm (AEST) on Tuesday 30 April 2019. Late entries will not be considered other than in exceptional circumstances, in which case, their acceptance or otherwise is entirely at the discretion of RANZCOG.
7. Provided a valid email address is included on the application form, receipt of entry will be acknowledged by email.
8. The award will be judged by the 'Award Committee' which shall comprise a RANZCOG Board Members, the Chair of the RANZCOG New Zealand Committee, a member of the RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation Board, a RANZCOG Fellow nominated by the President, the RANZCOG Director of Practice and Advocacy, and the RANZCOG CEO.
9. Provided a valid email address is included on the application form, Entrants will be notified of the outcome of their application by email.
10. The decision of the Award Committee is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
11. Up to two awards may be given in 2019, however, RANZCOG reserves the right not to make an award if, in the opinion of the Award Committee, no suitable applications have been received.

### PAYMENT OF AWARD

12. The value of the award is AUD\$1,000 for winning Entrant(s) resident in Australia or NZD\$1,000 for winning Entrant(s) resident in New Zealand.
13. Payment of the award will be made in a single instalment by cheque or via Electronic Funds Transfer to the nominated bank account of the winning Entrant(s).
14. The winning Entrant(s) is/are responsible for determining any applicable tax implications of the award.

### PUBLICITY

15. RANZCOG may:
  - a. publish on its website, social media (including the RANZCOG Facebook page), in *O&G Magazine* and/or in other relevant media, the name, photograph, year level and school of the winning Entrant(s) and the winning literary piece (which may be edited for this purpose); and
  - b. request written responses from the winning Entrant(s) for the purposes of publicity on its website, in *O&G Magazine*, and/or in other relevant media.
16. The winning Entrant(s) may be requested to participate in a formal presentation ceremony; which will normally be held at the school attended by the winning Entrant(s).
17. No additional payment will be made for participation in publicity associated with the award.

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## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Launched in 2014, the Award was renamed in 2015 in honour of RANZCOG staff member and award-winning author, Liam Davison and his wife Frankie, a secondary school teacher, in recognition of their shared passion for nurturing and encouraging young writers.



### WHAT IS RANZCOG?

- The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RANZCOG) is the leading body responsible for the training and education of doctors in obstetrics and gynaecology in Australia and New Zealand.
- RANZCOG is committed to the establishment and maintenance of the highest possible standards of practice in women's health and provides programs in training, accreditation and continuing professional development that are responsive to the evolving health care needs of women.
- RANZCOG supports research and advocacy for women's health by forging productive relationships with individuals, the community and professional organisations, both locally and internationally.



### POSSIBLE TOPICS

- Obstetrics: ultrasound in antenatal care, caesarean delivery, complications in childbirth, postnatal depression.
- Gynaecology: contraception, sexually transmitted infections, fertility, incontinence.
- Cultural/Social: family structures, social norms, crime and punishment, Indigenous women's health, career choice and motherhood.
- Political: public vs private health care, women's health policies and legislation.
- Ethical/Legal: termination of pregnancy, contraception - treatment and availability, legal status of fetus, informed consent for minors, health care for women with special needs.
- Technological: access and use of technology in women's health, advances in technology, robotic surgery.
- Other: women's health and nutrition, the impact of the internet and online self-diagnosis, overseas surrogacy.



### WRITING TIPS

You can use any style of writing that suits your topic.

This might be personal (eg diary, letters, interview), informative (eg essay, article), analytical (eg for & against), imaginative (eg diary, letters, narrative, interview), instructional (eg 'how-to'...), argumentative (eg opinion piece).

Great ideas can be let down by poor execution. Develop ideas thoroughly and organise your writing - ensure it has a clear structure and style.

- Be original in your topic!
- Note that opinion pieces need to present a well-balanced, critical discussion of the issue, not just one side.
- Check your spelling and grammar thoroughly. Proof read your submission yourself, then ask a friend, teacher or relative if they can read it through.
- Attribute your sources accurately; do not use material from websites, texts or other sources without stating where it came from. Articles will be checked using an online plagiarism checker.

## NEED TO KNOW MORE?

The Terms and Conditions of Entry, Application Form and previous years' winning entries can be downloaded from the RANZCOG website at: [www.ranzcog.edu.au/about/foundation/Liam-and-Frankie-Davison-Award](http://www.ranzcog.edu.au/about/foundation/Liam-and-Frankie-Davison-Award)

If you have any further queries, please contact the RANZCOG Foundation Coordinator on +61 3 9417 1699 or email [lfaward@ranzcog.edu.au](mailto:lfaward@ranzcog.edu.au)