



## ACCESS MARINE

### Excursion Subsidy Conditions

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#### 1) Background

- i) Eligible schools are invited to apply for a subsidy of up to \$2000 (ex gst) to attend a curriculum-based excursion at the Sydney Institute of Marine Science. Programs are offered on site in Chowder Bay, Mosman.
- ii) The award will subsidize the cost of the teaching program, resources, materials, and return transport to Chowder Bay, up to the value of \$2000 (ex gst). No further funding is available.
- iii) Available workshops address skill and content areas covered in the NSW Syllabus areas outlined below. Program modifications will not be accepted.

##### Primary

- Science and Technology Syllabus - Living World (Stages 2, 3)

##### Secondary

- Science - Living World (Stage 4)
- Geography - Environmental Change and Management (Stage 5).

#### 2) Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for this subsidy, you must demonstrate that you can satisfy all criteria detailed below.

- Your school must be an NSW Government primary or secondary school with an ICSEA Score of 950 or below for Resource Allocation Model Funding (or equivalent).

#### Application Process –

To apply for this subsidy, you must:

1. Complete the program application form found [here](#).
2. Create a short video (up to 2 minutes) introducing your students/school and a brief statement (200 words) of how this subsidy will support teaching and learning within your subject area. **Note:** Video is to be shot on mobile phone, with no postproduction.
3. Provide proof of eligibility for this subsidy, including all criteria listed in Section 1 of this Terms and Conditions document and the attached supporting information leaflet.
4. Submit A letter of support and endorsement from your School Principal.
5. Email items 2, 3 and 4 to [education@sims.org.au](mailto:education@sims.org.au), using 'Access Marine' as the subject

line.

### 3) Assessment Criteria

The award will be made based on the following assessment criteria.

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  - i) Alignment with the stated purpose and intent of the subsidy program, including socioeconomic disadvantage and regional locations. Note: The socioeconomic status of a School is assessed using ICSEA measurement. Subsidy eligibility is restricted to NSW Government schools with an ICSEA value of 950 or below for Resource Allocation Model Funding.
  - ii) Individual responses to the Classroom Profile criteria (via video submission) and letter of endorsement from School Executive.
  - iii) Proven classroom engagement with the excursion content
  - iv) A willingness to participate in program evaluation protocols.

**This subsidy is available for one class per school unless prior approval is received.**

### 4) Termination

- i) The Sydney Institute of Marine Science reserves the right to withdraw the subsidy, if the Institute determines that the receiving school is guilty of serious misconduct, including, but not limited to, having provided false or misleading information that has a relationship to the attraction of this award.
- ii) Once withdrawn the award will not be reinstated.

#### Timeline

- a. Applications Open: 26 August 2021
- b. Applications Close: 4 October 2021
- c. Workshop date: Term 1 2022.