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## QLD educators recognised in annual ACEL 'New Voice' scholarships

Two educators from QLD have been recognised by the Australian Council for Educational Leaders in the organisation's 'New Voice' scholarships in the second year of the initiative.

ACEL is Australia's leading independent body for educational leadership. Aimed at acknowledging new voices in educational leadership across each Australian state and territory the 'New Voice' scholarship initiative represents a commitment of \$300,000 over 10 years by ACEL.

Nineteen 'New Voice' Scholarships were awarded in 2016 across three categories: school leadership, tertiary educational leadership and indigenous educational leadership. "These 'new voice' scholarship recipients have been recognised for their work and research as forward-thinking, relevant and responsive individuals in contemporary Australian education," ACEL Chief Executive Aasha Murthy said.

"We have received a tremendous response with a large number of high quality applications. Each scholarship aims to welcome the recipients into the ACEL network and support the dissemination of new learning and thought."

The QLD scholarship recipients include:

### **'New Voice' in School Leadership Scholarship**

This scholarship recognises an impressive 'new voice' in school leadership from each state and territory of Australia.

- Alexander Mason, Grace Lutheran College

### **'New Voice' In Educational Leadership Research Scholarship**

This scholarship recognises an impressive 'new voice' in educational leadership research from each state and territory of Australia.

- Amanda Heffernan, University of Southern QLD

Recipients of the scholarships will receive:

- Complimentary attendance/participation in the 2016 ACEL National Conference in Melbourne from 28th – 30th September, including tickets to the social event/s, valued at \$1,000
- A cash bursary of \$500
- Featuring of their work in ACEL's flagship journal, The Australian Educational Leader
- Additional opportunities to have their work featured at ACEL Events

"ACEL is committed to giving-back to the profession, through the provision of these world-class learning opportunities for up-and-coming leaders," Ms Murthy said.

*The Australian Council for Educational Leaders (ACEL) gives access to world- class empirical research along with the practical support to achieve excellence in leadership in the education sector.*

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