

Young Leaders Program 2016-2017



Standards Australia is now accepting applications for the 2016-2017 Young Leaders Program. This program is designed to bring together Australia's next generation of standards experts. It provides an opportunity to become involved in the national and international standardisation supporting Australian industry, government and consumers.

Ten young professionals will be selected and provided with training and direct exposure to the standards development process. Participants will develop the skills required to be successful in the technical committee environment. They will be paired with a mentor and will have the opportunity to attend relevant technical committee meetings for standards development projects.

Outcomes for participants of the program include:

- Gain a better understanding of standardisation
- Gain the knowledge and expertise to participate on a technical committee
- Learn how to draft standards
- Develop skills to be an effective committee member
- Develop a lasting career network

To apply for the Young Leaders program, you must:

- Demonstrate that
 - you are under 40 years old
 - you have an active interest in standardisation, for example by participating in standards development or working for an organisation that actively uses standards
- Commit to
 - attending all scheduled events, including committee meetings
 - keeping in contact with Standards Australia as required for the course of the program
 - being a "Standards Champion" for the year of the program and beyond
- Provide a
 - copy of your resume
 - written reference from your employer stating that they support your application
 - list of Standards Australia committees or projects that interest you (a list of active projects by sector can be found on our [website](#) through Quick Links to Current Projects)
 - a short video (no more than 3 minutes) or a 500 word submission addressing the topic:

*What do standards mean to you?
Why should you be a part of this program?*

*****By submitting your video you agree that you have read and accepted the [Terms and Conditions](#) on submitting video content *****

Applicants are asked to refer to the program schedule to ensure that they are available for the duration of the program. Applications must be made **by 30 June 2016** to young.leaders@standards.org.au.

The video can be uploaded via a variety of methods:

1. www.dropbox.com with a link provided in your emailed application;
2. <https://www.wetransfer.com>;
3. <https://www.hightail.com>; or
4. By mailing a physical CD or USB containing the video to us. Our postal address is GPO Box 476 Sydney NSW 2001. The envelop should be addressed to Standards Australia's Young Leaders.

Standards Australia's Young Leaders Program Schedule

Date	Event	Location
Wednesday 3 August 2016 <i>*All day</i>	Introduction to Standards Australia Young Leaders Program Cocktail Event	Sydney
Thursday 4 August 2016 <i>*All day</i>	How to Write an Australian Standard	Sydney
August 2016 to April 2017	Attendance of at least two committee meetings and/or international meetings	Sydney
Tuesday 4 April 2017 <i>*Half day</i>	Wrap-Up Session	Sydney

Subsidies will be available for interstate travel (up to \$1,500 per person outside of NSW and up to \$400 per person for those in NSW).

For more information please contact us at young.leaders@standards.org.au.