



# New England Award

## Eligible Activities

Eligible activities are worth a certain number of points depending on how many hours you spent on the activity. For example, if you attended an eight-hour conference, that would equate to eight points.

We understand some activities are difficult to quantify so for these types of activities, we ask that you make a *reasonable* and *logical* estimate of how much time you spent on the activity.

This list of eligible activities is not intended to be exhaustive; the following is a guide only:

### **Category 1. Extra-Curricular Learning and Training**

Activities that extend knowledge, skills, and personal development beyond formal study. These should demonstrate initiative, curiosity, and a commitment to lifelong learning.

Examples may include:

- Participation in workshops, seminars, or short courses (e.g. first aid, coding, languages).
- Involvement in student clubs or societies with a focus on training and skills development.
- Attendance at guest lectures, cultural events, or academic conferences not directly tied to coursework.
- Engagement in competitions, creative pursuits, or personal projects that develop transferable skills.

## **Category 2. Professional Development**

Activities that enhance employability, career readiness, and professional capability. These experiences provide practical insight into industry or career pathways.

Examples may include:

- Internships, practicums, industry placements, or shadowing experiences.
- Completion of professional certifications or micro-credentials.
- Attendance at career fairs, industry conferences, or professional networking events.
- Participation in mentoring programs as either a mentor or mentee.
- Volunteering or project work aligned with your field of study or career interests.

## **Category 3. Contribution to the University and the Wider Community**

Activities that demonstrate leadership, service, and a positive impact on UNE or the broader community. These reflect active citizenship and contribution beyond personal benefit.

Examples may include:

- Volunteering for UNE programs (e.g. Orientation Week, peer mentoring, student ambassador roles).
- Serving as an executive or committee member of a student club or society.
- Representing UNE in sporting, cultural, or academic events and competitions.
- Community volunteering (e.g. charities, schools, environmental initiatives, emergency services).
- Leading or contributing to awareness campaigns or projects that support UNE or community wellbeing.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to get in touch with the NEA team via email: [nea@une.edu.au](mailto:nea@une.edu.au)