



## Professional Development – BTL Placement Guidelines

This fund seeks to support the development of Below-The-Line (BTL) crew, in recognition that highly skilled practitioners are vital for the long-term growth of the screen industry in Western Australia. It provides funding to BTL WA resident practitioners who have demonstrated a considerable commitment to their field of choice. It is primarily focused at practitioners who have been offered an exceptional national or international opportunity that will enhance and develop their professional careers and the development of capability and capacity of the industry.

Only a small number of exceptional opportunities will be supported each year, with a focus on identified skill gaps areas.

### Funding Available

- Up to \$15,000 per application.

*To note: Funding support is not automatic - support and approval depends on the competitive strength of the application and availability of funds.*

### Eligibility

#### Applicant

The applicant must:

1. Meet the general eligibility requirements as set out in the [Screenwest Terms of Trade](#).
2. Be a Western Australian resident as defined in the Screenwest Terms of Trade
3. Be 18 years of age or older.
4. Be able to show a clear, demonstrable commitment to a professional, ongoing career in the screen industry in the area they are applying for the Placement, as well as an ongoing commitment to Western Australia.
5. Have an agreed to and evidenced exceptional opportunity with a reputable and at-arms-length production company / provider to undertake the opportunity. Evidence should in the form of a

support letter or the like from the production company/provider that clearly states the opportunity and the outcomes of the placement.

## Assessment Criteria

Eligible applications will be assessed against the following criteria:

1. The applicants' commitment to pursuing an ongoing and long-term career in the screen industry with a particular focus on the relevant area.
2. The benefit of the placement will have in advancing the applicant's career objectives and skillset.
3. Track record and ability of the production company / provider to deliver on the stated placement outcomes.
4. The benefit to the overall capacity development of the Western Australian Screen Industry.
5. Availability of funds.

In evaluating the application, Screenwest will consider all information and weight the above criteria as it deems appropriate to best serve the purpose and strategic priorities of the organisation.

In exceptional circumstances applications outside the above may be considered.

## Assessment Process

***Professional Development – BTL Placements funding is open at any time. Special placement opportunities may be advertised as a round.***

- Prior to applying, read these guidelines and check your eligibility
- Discuss your application with the Screenwest Contact/s

### Applying:

- Applicants will need to provide the below materials via email to: [funding@screenwest.com.au](mailto:funding@screenwest.com.au), with Subject Line: **Screenwest Professional Development – BTL Placements Application.**
  - *Applications emailed directly to individual Screenwest staff members will not be accepted.*

- *An application receipt will be automatically forwarded to the applicant from this email address to confirm Screenwest has received the application. It is the applicant's responsibility to contact Screenwest if an application receipt has not been received within two working days, as your application may not have been received.*
- A short CV (maximum two pages) outlining the applicant's experience in the relevant area.
- A short (maximum one page) statement of how this placement will benefit the applicant's career objectives.
- A budget breakdown with accompanying rationale for each line item and includes a wage breakdown
- A timeline and schedule for the engagement period
- A letter of support from the relevant production, production company or professional stating the Placement will be covered by their insurances during the period of engagement and confirming the placement will enter into a formal employment agreement with the relevant party.

Eligible applications will be assessed by Screenwest Management

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Applicants are encouraged to discuss their applications before applying.