



New Zealand Political Studies Association



Welcome to the 2014 Autumn Edition of the NZPSA's quarterly newsletter. In the lead up to Easter, we are delighted to announce details of the 2014 NZPSA Conference.

The 2014 Conference will be hosted by the University of Auckland from December 1 to 3, and includes a postgraduate workshop on November 30. Also in this edition we highlight other upcoming events and deadlines. We are very keen to receive items to include in the next edition. Please send the information to me by June 30.

[Vicki Spencer](#) NZPSA President

### Call for Papers

Submission of abstracts and panel proposals for the 2014 NZPSA Conference to be held at the University of Auckland are now open. **The deadline is May 15, 2014.**

The organisers encourage paper abstracts (150-200 words) or panel proposals (of up to five papers) that speak to the diverse approaches, issues and methods in the study of politics. The theme of the conference is *Conflict and Discord: Politics in a Time of Crisis*.

More information about the conference and the postgraduate workshop on 30 November is available at [nzpsa2014.org.nz](http://nzpsa2014.org.nz) or via our [website](#). For queries contact [nzpsa2014@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:nzpsa2014@auckland.ac.nz).

### Members' Rates at APSA

If you are attending APSA this year, do remember that you are entitled to members' rates for the registration fee. To receive the discount, APSA have instructed us to tick the APSA members' box when filling in the registration form. Early bird registration closes June 10.

### 2014 APSA Award

The deadline to apply for the APSA 2014 award is 30 April 2014. Postgraduates and others in financial need are prioritised, but all members are eligible to apply if you cannot receive funding elsewhere. NZPSA members interested in applying need to make a submission to the NZPSA Secretary Dr Xavier Marquez by the deadline stated above ([xavier.marquez@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:xavier.marquez@vuw.ac.nz)).

For information about what to include in your application, see our [Grants and Awards](#) page.

### Wild Apricots

Members are able to make their department webpage public via our membership software. If you wish to do so, please contact [Xavier Marquez](#) to arrange this.

### \$2,000 Grant

At the 2013 AGM it was decided that we would establish a bi-annual grant of up to \$2,000 for a project that will benefit a NZPSA collective such as a Network, the Women's Caucus, the Postgraduate Body or another significant part of the membership.

The sorts of projects we might fund include postgraduate conferences or writing retreats, a keynote speaker for the NZPSA Conference, other specialist workshops leading to a significant publication, a NZ election event, or other events on key political issues etc.

The project should benefit a group of people (not just an individual) across institutions, thus offering benefit to the wider NZPSA community.

New Networks can be formed for the purpose of applying for funding by gathering ten NZPSA members together and contacting the Executive.

NZPSA collectives, their representatives and/or individual members are therefore invited to submit applications for project funding by **5pm 30 June 2014** to the President of the NZPSA who will establish a committee to assess them.

A list of current Networks is available on our [website](#) and for information on how to apply see our [Grants and Award](#) page.

### Upcoming Deadlines

- OCIS 2014 full paper submissions – 28 April 2014
- Australian PSA award 2014 – 30 April 2014
- NZPSA 2014 abstract submissions – 15 May 2014
- OCIS 2014 early-bird registrations – 30 May 2014
- APSA 2014 early-bird registrations – 10 June 2014
- NZPSA Grant – 5pm 30 June 2014
- NEWSLETTER – June 30 2014